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When she was home sick from school one day, Frances Cook picked up one of her mother's books about the life of an ambassador and was fascinated by it. From then on, she knew that she too wanted to be an ambassador.

"I decided my career in fifth grade. It just struck me as interesting," Cook said. "It was a good choice."

Cook, former ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman and Mary Washington College alumna, visited the college on Feb. 14 and 15 to speak to several classes and student groups as distinguished graduate-in-residence for the spring semester.

When she was a student at the college, Cook was active in politics. As a Young Democrat, she accompanied a local candidate on the campaign trail and, like many other college students in the 1960s, participated in Vietnam War protests. After graduating in 1967, Cook began her foreign service career as the special assistant to Sergeant Shriver, former U.S. ambassador to France. In 1970, she was a member of the delegation to the Paris Peace Talks on Vietnam.

According to Cook, presidents Lyndon Johnson and Richard Nixon assigned the nation's most experienced diplomats to the peace talks. She said that she was able to work with some of the most influential American diplomats of the 20th century.

Cook served in Australia from 1971 to 1973 before holding ambassadorial posts in the Republic of Burundi from 1980 to 1983 and the Republic of Cameroon from 1989 to 1993.

When she was appointed as the ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman from 1995 to 1999, Cook became the first female ambassador to any nation in the Persian Gulf.

The role of an ambassador, according to Cook, is to be the personal representative of the president. The ambassador is also the head of a team of different leaders within the State Department to ensure that the diplomats serving in that country speak with one voice.

Although she has been assigned to four geographic regions, Cook does not have a favorite. She said she did not specialize in one area because she enjoys diversity.

"They were all different. I had to learn a lot with each one. That's why I liked them all, they challenged me in

different ways," Cook said.

In addition to several posts at the State Department in African affairs, Cook also has held many senior positions in Washington, D.C., including deputy assistant secretary of state for refugee programs and later, for political-military affairs. She also served as the State Department liaison to the Joint Chiefs of Staff for the United States' participation in peacekeeping operations in Somalia and during the early years of the Balkan conflict.

"[Participating in peace talks] is tough work. The most rewarding job a diplomat can do is make peace," she said.

Cook wanted a career that would enable her to have an impact on the world.

"There are not that many jobs that make a difference. If you represent the United States, people listen to you. You can make a difference as a country and as an individual," she said. "Nothing is more rewarding at

intellectually, but she has an incredible presence," he said. "She was very strong and confident. She was amazingly knowledgeable for someone her age."

Cook said that some of her fondest college memories are when Leidecker, the advisor to all the foreign service majors, hosted ambassadors from Washington at his home every two weeks and invited the foreign service majors to interact with them.

"It was a wonderful window on the world for a wide-eyed 18 or 19-year-old," she said. "It gave us a wonderful perspective on the fact that there is a bigger world out there."

Cook's experiences as an ambassador have enhanced her perspective on the world.

"I've learned that actual progress in anything is a more complicated process than it looks. There is a whole lot of gray in the world. I learned to cope with that gray and to not give in to it," she said. "I learned the impact and influence our country has abroad. Because we don't realize our enormous influence overseas, we don't use it as much as we should, as a bully pulpit or to facilitate change."

Cook explained that the best diplomats are idealists.

"You have to feel you can make a positive change. I've always felt that way," she said.

Fickett said he believes that Cook was meant to be an ambassador.

"She is the model of excellence for the kind of person who can and should go into foreign service," Fickett said.

Spending time abroad, becoming active in politics and absorbing the American culture are experiences Cook feels are beneficial to students who wish to be foreign diplomats. She also said that skills in writing, negotiation and foreign languages make better diplomats.

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Despite all the perks, Cook said that there are some disadvantages to being an ambassador. For example, five or six nights out of her week were typically spent at receptions and dinners with other ambassadors, which she found boring. And because of advanced communication technology, she said that Washington could and did contact her as often as they needed to.

Among Cook's greatest influences throughout her career, she lists President John Kennedy and five Mary Washington professors—Lewis Fickett, George Greyson, Liz Clark, Suzanne Pharr and Kurt Leidecker.

Fickett remembers Cook as an outstanding student, the best he's had in his 37 years of teaching.

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Alumna Frances Cook has served in numerous foreign service posts. Left: Cook in her 1967 yearbook photo.

major interested in foreign service, found the experience of meeting Cook very rewarding.

"She was really very helpful, very approachable. She had a great interest in helping students pursue a career similar to hers if they are interested in that," he said.

According to Fickett, one of the marks of Cook's success is that she was able to enter the male-dominated arena of foreign service before any programs, like affirmative action, were instituted.

"Her success is even more significant in that she did it on her own, without any aid from special programs," he said.

Cook is currently an international business consultant in Washington, D.C. She works to help people come into the American market, and to help Americans get into foreign markets.

Student Falls Asleep At Wheel, Kills 70-Year-Old, Spends 3 Months In Jail

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hospital with her mother when she died.

"My mother died in my arms," she said.

Pete pleaded not guilty to reckless driving in Fairfax County General District Court in March but was convicted. She then appeared the case to Circuit Court, changed her plea to guilty, and requested a pre-sentencing report from a probation officer.

The night before the accident occurred, Pete had stayed up all night to wait in line for George Strait concert tickets, according to Joseph McGuire, Pete's attorney. Pete had been awake for 30 to 36 hours, Havill said.

"[Pete] was supposed to work at 4:00 [p.m.] the next day, but her boss asked her for a favor, to come to work early," McGuire said. "She went to work early, and when she got off work she was heading back to her residence and she fell asleep at the wheel."

Pete, who was hospitalized after the accident, was charged with reckless driving and driving under the influence. After a blood test showed that Pete had no alcohol or drugs in her system, the DUI charge was dropped.

Pete spent several days in the hospital.

"She had a lacerated kidney and various contusions all over. She was in the hospital for an extended period," McGuire said.

On Dec. 17, 1999, Pete was sentenced to 100 hours of community service and 12 months in jail. The judge suspended six months of the sentence. Pete will be released on March 17, after serving three months.

Havill said that Pete did not call her family to apologize, which made the ordeal even harder for them.

"If she had come to the family early on and apologized, we would have testified in her favor," Havill said. "In lieu of no apology, we were angry when the trial date came. We spoke and asked for the maximum sentence."

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Although Havill said that she feels Pete received a fair sentence, she said she also sympathizes with her.

"We were all stunned to see a young person in handcuffs, and by our doing," Havill said.

"It jarred us."

McGuire said that Pete fully understands the impact of her actions.

"She's very distraught. She's well aware that because of what she did she caused the

loss of a human being's life," he said.

Charles Atkins, 52, Sessom's son, was driving the car and underwent plastic surgery the night of the accident and afterward because his face hit the steering wheel. Dewey Sessoms, 78, the victim's husband, had been disabled for 25 years and was not severely injured in the accident but was hospitalized for heart problems. Brenda Atkins, 48, Sessom's daughter-in-law, suffered a broken lower vertebrae.

Pete had no previous driving offenses, according to McGuire, not even a speeding ticket.

"The probation officer was in agreement that this was a complete anomaly for Melody," McGuire said. "She is an outstanding person who was trying to do a favor for her employer and pushed herself too far."

Pete was enrolled at the college in the spring semester of 1999 when the accident occurred, according to McGuire, but did not complete that semester and did not return in the fall of 1999. He said that after being

released from jail, she plans to return to Mary Washington College.

Sessoms' family is suing Ford, maker of the Mercury Sable, claiming that Sessoms, who was wearing a seatbelt, died because their car only had a lap belt and no shoulder harness in the backseats.

"The most painful thing was that my daughter had a great big wedding five weeks later," Havill said. "My mother was more excited than the bride, more excited than I was. If she had a shoulder harness she would have been dancing at the wedding."

Havill said that sleep deprivation is a serious problem among college students, and that she hopes something positive can come of the accident that took her mother's life.

"College students go around perennially sleep-deprived," she said. "I wrote to her and asked that she be a spokesperson so that something good come of this and she can save other lives."

VSLA Lobbies To Require Student BOV Rep

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desk to be signed.

Louderback believes that Gov. Jim Gilmore (R) will sign the legislation.

"I think he will. It is not an issue with any detrimental effects; all of the effects are positive and working for communication. It is a very straightforward issue," Louderback said.

According to Lila Young, a press said to Gilmore, the governor does not have a position on the bills at this time.

The bill taken to the General Assembly has grown and made it to the floor in both the state Senate and the House of Delegates. Dan Haworth, legislative assistant to Sen. Nick Rerras (R-Norfolk), described the process.

"[The bill] went to the Education and Health Committee and passed out of that 8-7. That is kind of close. It passed in the House 22-15. The House companion bill came over with a vote of 80-18," Haworth said.

Haworth seems pleased with the progress these bills have made and believes that they will come to be.

"Chances look pretty good, but you can never be sure until the fat lady sings or at least until the governor gets it," Haworth said. "The governor has a shot at everything in the end. Should there be a veto, the bill can go back to the General Assembly."

Ruby Lee Norris, Board of Visitors member and a 1936 alumna, commented on the importance of both faculty representative Craig Vasey and Student Government Association president Maylin Pak's

positions.

"Both of them are non-voting but they are legitimate members of the board," Norris said. "They are there all the time except when we go into executive session they are free to speak whenever they feel like it, whether we call on them or not, we want to hear their reaction."

Norris attended the VSLA conference as a BOV member and helped the students

draft the bill that was taken to the general assembly.

Pak feels that her position is valuable to the student body since she is able to voice student concerns.

"I am able to bring up student concerns that may not necessarily be heard," Pak said.

Ron Singleton, senior vice president for advancement and college relations, works closely with the college's Board of Visitors. He believes that the college's decision to add student and faculty representatives was valuable.



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LAC chair Josh Maddox wants to change the Virginia Code to require student representatives on college boards of visitors in Virginia.

"I think that adding a student government representative has contributed a great deal to the board of visitors discussions," Singleton said. "They are always interested in hearing from both the student representatives and the faculty. The Board of Visitors has built into each meeting a report from the two representatives."

The reports that Pak and Vasey give at each board meeting allow members an opportunity to hear what is going on at the college from the students' and the faculty's points of view.

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Career Services Guides Seniors

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Staff Writer

When senior English major Misha Sanborn decided that becoming an intern would help her in her future career, she turned to the same place that nearly 300 students turn to every year for help, the Office of Career Services.

At Career Services, she was shown a binder containing internship opportunities in her major, which she thumbed through until finding a position with the First Nations Development Institute. Then she met with Gary Johnson, director of Career Services, to perfect her resume.

"Mr. Johnson was great in not only helping me revise my resume, but also in telling me why I should change certain things and which things employers were looking for," Sanborn said.

Career Services does much more than just help students with their resumes. Their list of services includes career counseling, videotaped mock interviews, externships, countless programs and workshops and a new service called e-recruiting.

With e-recruiting, students log on to the website, www.crimson-solutions.com/er3, where they can view job and internship listings, sign up for on-campus interviews and post their resumes for employers to view.

"By using e-recruiting, the student has the easiest interview they will ever get because we bring the employers to the students," Johnson said.

Career Services has only two full-time professional staff members and two support staff members, but they still manage to accommodate a large number of students who seek their services.

"We have 150 to 200 students seek credited internships each year, but we also have at least that many accept internships without receiving class credit," Johnson said.



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Junior Matt Selwyn consults with Gary Johnson, director of Career Services, about internship opportunities.

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Career Services also holds numerous career fairs each year, benefiting hundreds of students. The career fairs allow students to meet with employers and employees from various fields, providing an environment where the students can ask questions or get more information about many different careers.

The yearly employer fair gives students and alumni the opportunity to meet with professionals from industrial, non-profit, government and educational organizations to learn about job opportunities. Similar to the employer fair, the recently started Alumni Networking Reception allows students to meet with college alumni in the Washington, D.C., and Richmond area to discuss career-related information.

Although Career Services already helps many students, Johnson said he wishes that more students would take advantage of the office.

"They forget that we are open not only during the school year, but over the summer as well," Johnson said.

Career Services is located in room 305 of George Washington Hall and is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Students Allowed To Park In Residents-Only VRE Lot

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Compiled by Mark H. Rodeffer

Skater Harding Strikes Again

Former Olympic figure skater Tonya Harding was charged Feb. 22 with misdemeanor assault after allegedly hitting her live-in boyfriend on the nose with a hubcap. "She was hooking me like Mike Tyson," her boyfriend told police. The incident occurred in Harding's abode in Camas, Ore.

Bimbo Wants Out

A former girlfriend of Ricky Rockman, the multimillionaire who married a woman he picked on a Fox television show, told tabloid TV show Extra! that she had a restraining order against Rockman, whom she met in an Internet chat room, after he beat her. Rockman's wife now wants an annulment. Since the flap has become public, Fox opted not to rerun the program this week.

Arlington Delegate Says Anal Sex A-Okay

The Virginia House of Delegates passed a bill that would make consensual sodomy a misdemeanor rather than a felony. The Arlington Democrat who introduced the bill said that she doesn't think oral and anal sex should be crimes at all, but decided to introduce a bill to reduce penalties for the sex acts because a law fully legalizing both wouldn't pass the General Assembly. Now the legislation has to go to the State Senate, where if passed it will head to the desk of Gov. Jim Gilmore (R).

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Last week, The Bulletin printed the salaries of the 10 top-paid administrators as well as the salaries of the highest-paid professors in each academic department. Since then, some students and faculty members have criticized The Bulletin, saying the information is private and should not have been published.

While many people consider their salaries to be private, and have every right to want to keep their earnings confidential, the fact of the matter is that the salaries of all employees of the Commonwealth of Virginia is public information. Our readers have a right to know, and we have a right to inform them.

Mary Washington College is a public institution. That means that the tax dollars of Virginians are supporting this school—and students and faculty members at the college, just as all other taxpayers in the commonwealth—have a right to know where their tax dollars are going.

That doesn't just mean the salaries of the college's highest-paid employees. Students have a right know where every penny of their tax money—and every dime paid in comprehensive fees—goes.

The Bulletin usually makes a point to follow the money. For instance, in the news section this week, we printed the college's estimate of how much a proposed new residence hall will cost. And last week, we printed the cost of constructing the eagle that will sit atop the administration's planned "Spirit Column."

The reason we chose to run a listing of the top salaries at the college is simply because people are interested. How many people who think The Bulletin shouldn't have printed the salaries actually didn't read them? How many people honestly don't care how much the college's top administrators and teachers are taking home? If the people want to know and have a right to know and we have a right to tell, it makes perfect sense to inform them.

And people who don't want to know could have simply skipped that section of the newspaper. But it's our guess that not many readers who saw it decided against looking at it.

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Impact 2000 Still Sparks Opinions

BRANDY HAN
Guest Columnist

The Silver Company's proposal for the Celebrate Virginia project has ignited controversy all over the community, including on our campus. It has propelled the forming of a student-run organization known as Impact Group 2000.

This organization has caught the attention of the media by publicly opposing the project with a six-week boycott on the existing Central Park shopping center. This organization has been highly criticized for its uneducated views and ambiguous goals. In fact, it has been accused by many of providing the public with misleading information.

Unfortunately, since Impact 2000 is the only organization on campus to take a formal position on the Celebrate Virginia project, the media have assumed that their opinions reflect those of the student body at Mary Washington College. The primary intention of this letter is to inform them otherwise. It is time to notify the public that there is at least one alternative opinion on campus. Students Promoting Responsible

MARY BECELIA
Guest Columnist

It is a rainy Friday afternoon as I type this letter, and the third floor of George Washington Hall has been pretty quiet all day—until a few minutes ago when the calm was broken by the merry horns of the Impact Group 2000's caravan, convening in the G.W. Circle and setting off for Route 3 West and the start of their boycott.

I am writing to commend this group. It is exciting to see such energy from the student body and such concern for the larger community, and to observe firsthand how a group of caring individuals can make a difference.

Sprawl and development of our remaining green spaces are issues of great concern to many Americans, including me.

However, most of us are "too busy" with our daily lives to take decisive action on the matter. Not Impact 2000. They have mobilized, they are getting publicity, they are having an impact.

As a member of the local Sierra Club, I am thrilled with what they are doing, and I want to offer, in this public forum, my great appreciation and commendation for what their efforts.

Mary Becelia is Associate Director of Career Services.

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FAST FACT:

In Japan, squid is actually the most popular topping for 'Domino's Pizza.'

'Student Jailed' Not Fair

ERIN SUTHERLAND
Guest Columnist

I am writing in response to last week's article on the MWC student jailed because of a traffic incident in which an elderly lady died. Melody (the driver) and I shared an apartment for several months after the accident occurred.

What I know regarding the situation is what Melody has told me and what I have seen from the roommate perspective. To be clear, I am not writing to make excuses or minimize the tragedy of the elderly lady's death. The situation is not as simple as the article suggested, and I hope to shed some light on all of this.

The Bulletin article seemed one-sided; I think some facts were incorrect and did not reflect what I have seen over the past months. Did the writers try to contact Melody or her family for comments? The only source speaking on her behalf was her lawyer, and some of his comments were entirely wrong.

For example, she did attend school last semester, but he said that she did not. This is not really a vital component of the case, but does bring the validity of that source into question.

To clarify, she wished to speak with the family but was told not to. She was allowed to address them at a hearing and she tried to read a prepared statement. She broke down, cried and said she wished it had been her that died in the accident. Imagine having to face the family in this situation. Last week's

article made her sound remorseless. I stayed up with her talking and crying enough to know that she will never forgive herself for her tragic mistake.

Melody has by no means had an easy time with any of this. She almost died in the accident and spent a great deal of time in intensive care. She was working that day so she could pay the rent and go to school. She would have graduated in May.

The Washington Post reported that she was charged with DUI, but later retracted the statement. She was never charged with that and had not been drinking. The police suspected alcohol was involved. In fact, she was denied pain medication for severe injuries until after they did a blood test. It should be clear that she fell asleep and no substances were involved. This DUI accusation was an error in the earlier article and should not be repeated.

I know that she will be mortified when she learns that her professors and classmates all know about this. I could not bring myself to tell her. The school paper does not give front-page coverage to the most traumatic, horrible and regrettable events of every student's life.

After only a short time of knowing Melody, I know that the accident was a tragic mistake, and she has suffered a great deal from it.

Melody told me that she did not feel tired or at all impaired; but someone died, two families were struck with tragedy and everyone involved has suffered.

Imagine waking up in ICU, finding out something like this happened and having to face that. The frightening truth is that this could happen to anyone; please remember that in Sutherland is senior.

Campus Beauty?

Gabe Goldstein
Columnist

Last week in these pages, I learned, along with the rest of campus, that the administration plans to erect a 30-foot-tall obelisk topped with giant eagle on one end of campus, and will erect another eagle at the opposite end.

I have two major objections to this "beautification" project. For one, this doesn't particularly rouse my sense of school spirit; in fact, it brings more of a groan: "Now this?"

More importantly, this change to our school and backyards was announced like some sort of imperial decree. This is a perfect example of an ailing democracy, in which the ordinary people most affected by government (in this case, students and administration) have little or no involvement in their decisions.

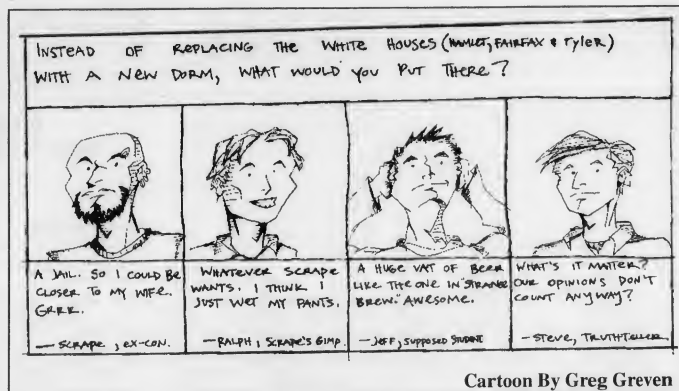
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Aesthetically and practically, this idea is typical of the worst of the local powers that be. In an attempt at beautification, we produce something aberrant from the natural surroundings—something jarring, huge.

Just like the giant globe sculpture that was headed for the fountain last year, the attempts to change our name to Washington & Moore University or the continued process of eradicating student traditions, this is an attempt by the administration to make unwanted and garish alterations to our school without really consulting the student body. It brings up a question: If they are so uninterested in student opinion or values, then who is this school for?

On a basic level, I was under the belief that the purpose of a college or university (and the administrators who run them) was the benefit of the students attending it. I thought the entire reason for the existence of Mary Washington College was to provide a positive educational experience for young

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Letters to the Editor

Salary Report Was Unnecessary

Editor:

I'm writing to express my disgust with your recent decision to print the salaries of the highest-paid professors at our school.

It seems very apparent that the newspaper didn't have the permission to do this, for I can't think of a professor in his or her right mind who would agree to something so immeasurably tacky as the printing of salaries.

Yes, we as students are apparently entitled to know via the Freedom of Information Act, but it's not something that students have been clamoring for or particularly care about. So what was the motivation behind this "story"?

If it was to prove that this newspaper is uncivilized, then it succeeded. Was the story on Central Park VI not ready for the press yet? The only motivation I can see is that of trying to create controversy and infighting amongst the students and professors.

Such is the way of

journalism, I suppose. Do something lacking tact and wait for it to spawn other stories ("Feminists Protest Lack of Female Professors on Highest-Paid List;" or "Lower-Paid Professor Accuses Higher-Paid Professor Of 'Not Being Worth It'") and so on.

The Bulletin may as well print all the GPAs of the student body while it's at it. And while this is a realistic aspect of journalism, sources for infighting and controversy are not needed here at MWC.

Joe Frick is a freshman.

Spirit Comes From Within

Editor:

I am not at all surprised that the proposed obelisk has met with student and faculty resistance. Students are investors in this institution, and as such, we should be informed and consulted in major decisions regarding our investment.

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professor has invested heavily in time, commitment and talent. Both students and faculty support this institution in hopes that it supports us in return.

Several semesters ago I took 2-D design with Professor Paul Muick, who has since retired from MWC. Muick is an talented sculptor.

I remember asking him why he never designed any sculpture for the college as we discussed the impending "fountain globe" project. Muick responded that he had never been asked to sculpt something for the college, but that he would be honored and willing if he were ever approached.

The idea of erecting monuments on campus to promote spirit and beauty is not a bad one. But why doesn't the college support the talent it has and ask an exceptional student or honor a faculty member with the commission?

If the administration approached decisions of this nature differently, I think that their ideas would be met with more student and faculty support. The college employs painters, sculptors and designers—why not take advantage of them?

Elizabeth Neidig is a junior.

Tax Credits Could Work

Editor:

As a homeschooling parent, I am compelled to comment on the article "Tuition Tax Credits Would Benefit Rich," by Mark Rodeffer.

It is untrue that the credit would amount to \$2,500 for homeschoolers. For us, the limit would be \$500 per child. In addition, the author seems to forget that homeschoolers are taxpayers, too.

Furthermore, a tax credit for non-public education would not necessarily "drain money" from public schools.

If parents choose those alternatives, the public schools lose money from the state. However, the local government, which provides close to half of the money, could continue to fund the schools at the existing level.

That means the schools could end up with effectively more money.

If, say, my county continued to provide the roughly \$3,000 per school-

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Career Services Guides Seniors

By JORDY KEITH
Staff Writer

When senior English major Misha Sanborn decided that becoming an intern would help her in her future career, she turned to the same place that nearly 300 students turn to every year for help, the Office of Career Services.

At Career Services, she was shown a binder containing internship opportunities in her major, which she thumbed through until finding a position with the First Nations Development Institute. Then she met with Gary Johnson, director of Career Services, to perfect her resume.

"Mr. Johnson was great in not only helping me revise my resume, but also in telling me why I should change certain things and which things employers were looking for," Sanborn said.

Career Services does much more than just help students with their resumes. Their list of services includes career counseling, videotaped mock interviews, externships, countless programs and workshops and a new service called e-recruiting.

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Junior Matt Selwyn consults with Gary Johnson, director of Career Services, about internship opportunities.

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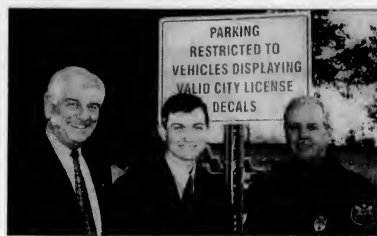
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Feb. 19—Five people were charged with trespassing in Jefferson Hall and one student was referred to the administration after entering Jefferson Hall. Markham D. Smith, 20, of Oakton, Va., Dennis McMullen, 20, of Culpeper, Scott Seifert, 19, of Culpeper, Joseph Smith 21, of Viewtown, Va., and Harry Jenkins Jr., 22, of Culpeper were charged with trespassing.

Feb. 20—State property was reported destroyed in Jefferson Hall. An unknown person threw a vase onto Jefferson Hall drive. The vase, which was destroyed, had an estimated value of \$50.



Compiled by Mark H. Rodeffer

Skater Harding Strikes Again

Former Olympic figure skater Tonya Harding was charged Feb. 22 with misdemeanor assault after allegedly hitting her live-in boyfriend on the nose with a hubcap. "She was hooking me like Mike Tyson," her boyfriend told police. The incident occurred in Harding's abode in Camas, Ore.

Bimbo Wants Out

A former girlfriend of Ricky Rockman, the multimillionaire who married a woman he picked on a Fox television show, told tabloid TV show *Extra!* that she had a restraining order against Rockman, whom she met in an Internet chat room, after he beat her. Rockman's wife now wants an annulment. Since the flap has become public, Fox opted not to rerun the program this week.

Arlington Delegate Says Anal Sex A-Okay

The Virginia House of Delegates passed a bill that would make consensual sodomy a misdemeanor rather than a felony. The Arlington Democrat who introduced the bill said that she doesn't think oral and anal sex should be crimes at all, but decided to introduce a bill to reduce penalties for the sex acts because a law fully legalizing both wouldn't pass the General Assembly. Now the legislation has to go to the State Senate, where if passed it will head to the desk of Gov. Jim Gilmore (R).

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Right To Know

Last week, The Bulletin printed the salaries of the 10 top-paid administrators as well as the salaries of the highest-paid professors in each academic department. Since then, some students and faculty members have criticized The Bulletin, saying the information is private and should not have been published.

While many people consider their salaries to be private, and have every right to want to keep their earnings confidential, the fact of the matter is that the salaries of all employees of the Commonwealth of Virginia is public information. Our readers have a right to know, and we have a right to inform them.

Mary Washington College is a public institution. That means that the tax dollars of Virginians are supporting this school—and students and faculty members at the college, just as all other taxpayers in the commonwealth—have a right to know where their tax dollars are going.

That doesn't just mean the salaries of the college's highest-paid employees. Students have a right to know where every penny of their tax money—and every dime paid in comprehensive fees—goes.

The Bulletin usually makes a point to follow the money. For instance, in the news section this week, we printed the college's estimate of how much a proposed new residence hall will cost. And last week, we printed the cost of constructing the eagle that will sit atop the administration's planned "Spirit Column."

The reason we chose to run a listing of the top salaries at the college is simply because people are interested. How many people who think The Bulletin shouldn't have printed the salaries actually didn't read them? How many people honestly don't care how much the college's top administrators and teachers are taking home? If the people want to know and have a right to know and we have a right to tell, it makes perfect sense to inform them.

And people who don't want to know could have simply skipped that section of the newspaper. But it's our guess that not many readers who saw it decided against looking at it.

Impact 2000 Still Sparks Opinions

BRANDY HAN
Guest Columnist

The Silver Company's proposal for the Celebrate Virginia project has ignited controversy all over the community, including on our campus. It has propelled the forming of a student-run organization known as Impact Group 2000.

This organization has caught the attention of the media by publicly opposing the project with a six-week boycott on the existing Central Park shopping center. This organization has been highly criticized for its uneducated views and ambiguous goals. In fact, it has been accused by many of providing the public with misleading information.

Unfortunately, since Impact 2000 is the only organization on campus to take a formal position on the Celebrate Virginia project, the media have assumed that their opinions reflect those of the student body at Mary Washington College. The primary intention of this letter is to inform them otherwise. It is time to notify the public that there is at least one alternative opinion on campus. Students Promoting Responsible

MARY BECELIA
Guest Columnist

It is a rainy Friday afternoon as I type this letter, and the third floor of George Washington Hall has been pretty quiet all day—until a few minutes ago when the calm was broken by the merry horns of the Impact Group 2000's caravan, convening in the G.W. Circle and setting off for Route 3 West and the start of their boycott.

I am writing to commend this group. It is exciting to see such energy from the student body and such concern for the larger community, and to observe firsthand how a group of caring individuals can make a difference.

Sprawl and development of our remaining green spaces are issues of great concern to many Americans, including me.

However, most of us are "too busy" with our daily lives to take decisive action on the matter. Not Impact 2000. They have mobilized, they are getting publicity, they are having an impact.

As a member of the local Sierra Club, I am thrilled with what they are doing, and I want to offer, in this public forum, my great appreciation and commendation for what their efforts.

Mary Bececia is Associate Director of Career Services.

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FAST FACT:

In Japan, squid is actually the most popular topping for 'Domino's Pizza.'

'Student Jailed' Not Fair

ERIN SUTHERLAND
Guest Columnist

I am writing in response to last week's article on the MWC student jailed because of a traffic incident in which an elderly lady died. Melody (the driver) and I shared an apartment for several months after the accident occurred.

What I know regarding the situation is what Melody has told me and what I have seen from the roommate perspective. To be clear, I am not writing to make excuses or minimize the tragedy of the elderly lady's death. The situation is not as simple as the article suggested, and I hope to shed some light on all of this.

The Bulletin article seemed one-sided; I think some facts were incorrect and did not reflect what I have seen over the past months. Did the writers try to contact Melody or her family for comments? The only source speaking on her behalf was her lawyer, and some of his comments were entirely wrong.

For example, she did attend school last semester, but he said that she did not. This is not really a vital component of the case, but does bring the validity of that source into question.

To clarify, she wished to speak with the family but was told not to. She was allowed to address them at a hearing and she tried to read a prepared statement. She broke down, cried and said she wished it had been her that died in the accident. Imagine having to face the family in this situation. Last week's

article made her sound remorseless. I stayed up with her talking and crying enough to know that she will never forgive herself for her tragic mistake.

Melody has by no means had an easy time with any of this. She almost died in the accident and spent a great deal of time in intensive care. She was working that day so she could pay the rent and go to school. She would have graduated in May.

The Washington Post reported that she was charged with DUI, but later retracted the statement. She was never charged with that and had not been drinking. The police suspected alcohol was involved. In fact, she was denied pain medication for severe injuries until after they did a blood test. It should be clear that she fell asleep and no substances were involved. This DUI accusation was an error in the earlier article and should not be repeated.

I know that she will be mortified when she learns that her professors and classmates all know about this. I could not bring myself to tell her. The school paper does not give front-page coverage to the most traumatic, horrible and regrettable events of every student's life.

After only a short time of knowing Melody, I know that the accident was a tragic mistake, and she has suffered a great deal from it.

Melody told me that she did not feel tired or at all impaired; but someone died, two families were struck with tragedy and everyone involved was suffered.

Imagine waking up in ICU, finding out something like this happened and having to face that. The frightening truth is that this could happen to anyone; please remember that Erin Sutherland is senior.

Campus Beauty?

Gabe Goldstein
Columnist

Last week in these pages, I learned, along with the rest of campus, that the administration plans to erect a 30-foot-tall obelisk topped with giant eagle on one end of campus, and will erect another eagle at the opposite end.

I have two major objections to this "beautification" project. For one, this doesn't particularly rouse my sense of school spirit; in fact, it brings more of a groan: "Now this?"

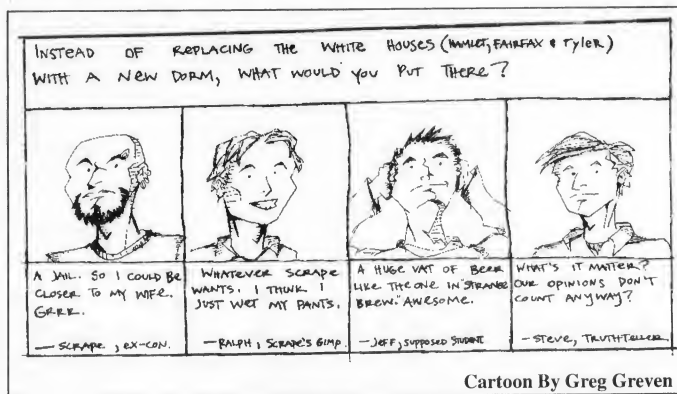
More importantly, this change to our school and backyards was announced like some sort of imperial decree. This is a perfect example of an ailing democracy, in which the ordinary people most affected by government (in this case, students and administration) have little or no involvement in their decisions.

Mary Washington is a public institution, supposedly owned by the people. But through the channels of elected officials, bureaucracy and appointed employees, we, the people, have little or no actual say.

Aesthetically and practically, this idea is typical of the worst of the local powers that be. In an attempt at beautification, we produce something aberrant from the natural surroundings—something jarring, huge.

Just like the giant black globe sculpture that was headed for the fountain last year, the attempts to change our name to Washington & Monroe University or the continued process of eradicating student traditions, this is an attempt by the administration to make unwanted and garish alterations to our school without really consulting the student body. It brings up a question: If they are so uninterested in student opinion or values, then who is this school for?

On a basic level, I was under the belief that the purpose of a college or university (and the administrators who run them) was the benefit of the students attending it. I thought the entire reason for the existence of Mary Washington College was to provide a positive educational experience for young



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Letters to the Editor

Salary Report Was Unnecessary

Editor:

I'm writing to express my disgust with your recent decision to print the salaries of the highest-paid professors at our school.

It seems very apparent that the newspaper didn't have the permission to do this, for I can't think of a professor in his or her right mind who would agree to something so immeasurably tacky as the printing of salaries.

Yes, we as students are apparently entitled to know via the Freedom of Information Act, but it's not something that students have been clamoring for or particularly care about. So what was the motivation behind this "story"?

If it was to prove that this newspaper is uncivilized, then it succeeded. Was the story on Central Park VI not ready for the press yet? The only motivation I can see is that of trying to create controversy and infighting among the students and professors.

Such is the way of

journalism, I suppose. Do something lacking tact and wait for it to spawn other stories ("Feminists Protest Lack of Female Professors on Highest-Paid List," or "Lower-Paid Professor Accuses Higher-Paid Professor Of 'Not Being Worth It'") and so on.

The Bulletin may as well print all the GPAs of the student body while it's at it. And while this is a realistic aspect of journalism, sources for infighting and controversy are not needed here at MWC.

Joe Frick is a freshman.

Spirit Comes From Within

Editor:

I am not at all surprised that the proposed obelisk has met with student and faculty resistance. Students are investors in this institution, and as such, we should be informed and consulted in major decisions regarding our investment.

Our money does not only pay for in-class instruction, but for the entire campus system. The faculty here is dedicated to Mary Washington College's vision of excellence. Each

professor has invested heavily in time, commitment and talent. Both students and faculty support this institution in hopes that it supports us in return.

Several semesters ago I took 2-D design with Professor Paul Muick, who has since retired from MWC. Muick is an talented sculptor.

I remember asking him why he never designed any sculpture for the college as we discussed the impending "fountain globe" project. Muick responded that he had never been asked to sculpt something for the college, but that he would be honored and willing if he were ever approached.

The idea of erecting monuments on campus to promote spirit and beauty is not a bad one. But why doesn't the college support the talent it has and ask an exceptional student or honor a faculty member with the commission?

If the administration approached decisions of this nature differently, I think that their ideas would be met with more student and faculty support. The college employs painters, sculptors and designers—why not take advantage of them?

Elizabeth Neidig is a junior.

Tax Credits Could Work

Editor:

As a homeschooled parent, I am compelled to comment on the article "Tuition Tax Credits Would Benefit Rich," by Mark Rodelfer.

It is untrue that the credit would amount to \$2,500 for homeschoolers. For us, the limit would be \$500 per child. In addition, the author seems to forget that homeschoolers are taxpayers, too.

Furthermore, a tax credit for non-public education would not necessarily "drain money" from public schools.

If parents choose those alternatives, the public schools lose money from the state. However, the local government, which provides close to half of the money, could continue to fund the schools at the existing level.

That means the schools could end up with effectively more money.

If, say, my county continued to provide the roughly \$3,000 per school-

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to Virginia legislators downgrading oral sex from a felony to a misdemeanor.



to the lack of benches outside the new student offices (*hint).



to psychoanalysis. Hey, what does that thumb remind you of?



to people who refuse to turn their headlights on at dusk.



to "the way of journalism"



to hypochondriacs. We're sick of hearing about it.

Aquarius - Today you're probably feeling more calm, less-anxious and less-stressed. Travel should be easier, too. You could make contact with an interesting foreigner, to your mutual benefit.

Pisces - Mercury has just gone retrograde in your sign. This can cause misunderstandings, so take care. It'll be in effect for a couple of weeks. Use this time to do filing and to finish up old projects, rather than start new ones, starting now.

Aries - You sometimes feel like the Lone Ranger, but that's not the case now. You won't be able to do the job all by yourself. You're going to have to work with another person, and that could be a challenge.

Taurus - You're a voyeur. You like to watch things but don't be ashamed. You're on track with a Scorpio who likes to perform.

Gemini - You are lucky today, and you communicate well. During this phase, most people have problems with communication. That's where you come in.

Cancer - You'll experience some stress, confusion and perhaps even some consternation. An unexpected development takes you by surprise, and you're not the only one.

Leo - You get more attention than usual. This could lead to advancement. This might mean you'll have to go to class, but that's OK. You may have to memorize a whole new set of rules and regulations, too.

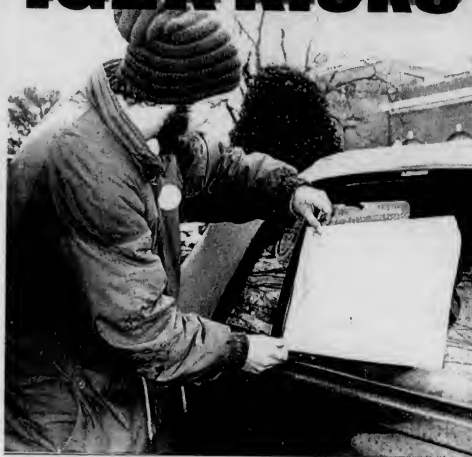
Virgo - You're brimming with sexual energy this week. Try and stay out of loaded situations where your animal magnetism could get you in trouble.

Libra - You're creative, popular and good with games. There are still big difficulties, but don't worry. Just be extra careful, that's all. Don't be afraid to let an expert check your papers before you hand them in. That's an old trick, but it could work.

Scorpio - It's time to do some planning, which is good. That's one of your natural talents. Don't let anything get by you. Be responsible not only for what you're supposed to be doing, but for what everybody else is supposed to be doing, too.

Sagittarius - Instead of staying home tonight, go out. Being around a group of compatible characters could be good for you.

Capricorn - Somebody in a position of authority thinks you're pretty cute. Consequently, this is not a bad time to ask for a raise or some other favor.



Paul Tomich decorates part of the protest convoy.

Corey Byrnes/Bullet

Impact 2000 Organizes Convoy Through Central Park

By LINA PENALOSA

Assistant Features Editor

Working in a cold drizzle on Friday afternoon, a group of Mary Washington College students duct-taped signs to their wet car doors saying, "Stop the Sprawl Ya'll," "Silvering is Filtering," and "This is Not Silverburg."

As the students prepared to kick off a month-long boycott of Central Park 2 with blue and green ribbons tied to their antennas, many worried whether the posters would survive the drive through downtown Fredericksburg and Central Park.

Sponsored by the Impact Group 2000 and its supporters, a 16-car caravan trooped down Caroline Street, up Route 3 and into Central Park on Feb. 18. The honking convoy was greeted with scowling pedestrians, drivers slowing down and pointing, smiles and one man's shout to "Get a life."

According to the Impact 2000 website, their mission is not only to encourage development that will preserve

Fredericksburg character and history, but also to stimulate interaction with the community. The Feb. 18 to March 24 boycott has several goals, but chief among them is to raise social awareness.

Ruth Cassell, a member of Impact 2000, said the public was left out of the decision to approve Central Park 2.

"A lot of people didn't even know it was going on," said Cassell, a senior. "They just passed the bill through. They didn't give us time to care. We hope people will not stop at Central Park from Feb. 18 to March 24 to protest Central Park 2."

Ann Marie Sack, co-founder of Impact 2000, said the group is not opposing development in Fredericksburg.

"If the opposition is pro-growth that's fine, but we're not anti-growth," Sack said.

Casey Gallant, a senior, said she is boycotting the construction of Central Park 2 because of the urban sprawl it will promote.

"My personal reason is that I don't want

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'Rally for Rights' Held Downtown

By MATT WRIGHT

Staff Writer

While some people in the Fredericksburg area spent their Saturday night eating a pork chop sandwich from Hardees and watching *Arli\$*, there were a good number who decided to "Rally For Rights."

The Impact Group 2000's Rally For Rights was held in coordination with the Rappahannock Area Grassroots on Saturday at the Eyeclopes Gallery, located at 810 Caroline St.

With the organizational efforts of students Ann Marie Sack and Gabe Goldstein, Impact 2000 was able to set up a few hours of information and entertainment for those who are boycotting or planning to boycott Central Park in hopes of stopping the development of Central Park 2 along the Rappahannock River.

Attendants represented different segments of the community, from grassroots

organizers and small business owners to a sizeable number of Mary Washington students.

The Sierra Club had representatives and also provided the night's key speaker. Food and drinks were donated by Einstein Bagels, Orbits and Spanky's.

Eyeclopes Gallery displayed artwork from local artists and information about some of the other activities that take place there. The 'homegrown' First Night Pear that created a controversy in Fredericksburg over New Year's Eve was put on display by its creator, Ken Crampton, the owner of Eyeclopes and a key figure in RAG.

The keynote speaker of the evening was Glen Besa, director of the Virginia chapter of the Sierra Club and a grassroots organizer.

Besa spoke on his "Nine Rules of Engagement" which he says are the rules that must be followed in order to have a successful grassroots campaign.

They contain advice such as, "If you play by their rules you lose," the facts are not enough, the law is not enough, and have fun because there is nothing harder than fighting the big corporations."

Besa also said that with all the print about issues trying to motivate people to do something, "the best form of grassroots organizing is one on one communication. Media is good but until you talk to someone you aren't as motivated."

Besa ended his speech with the statements, "Growth is inevitable but smart growth isn't. This is a fight that may change America and may change communities, into places where getting the cheapest price at Wal-Mart isn't the overriding interest of our life."

Sack and Goldstein, who started Impact 2000, had a lot to say about why they decided to become active in opposing the development of Central Park II and defending the Rappahannock River that they contend it would affect.

"It's one thing to look at the development and say, hey that sucks, but it's another thing to do something about it," Sack said.

She also made clear that the boycott of Central Park had nothing to do with the businesses involved, but was about the Silver Companies and their development practices.

"There's nothing wrong with these businesses, we just want to use [the boycott] as a vehicle. The same thing that

"If you play by their rules you lose."

Glen Besa

happened with Central Park could happen [with Central Park II].

Goldstein, a Bulletin columnist, has been very vocal about the boycott.

"We are being treated like community servants rather than radicals," he said.

Goldstein also said that Impact 2000 had tables set up last weekend downtown in order to give out information about the boycott and they received a lot of encouragement from community members.

There will be a roundtable discussion in the Great Hall Tuesday February 29 at 7 p.m. to discuss the proposed Central Park II development.

Those in attendance will include Mayor Greenup, City Council members, representatives from area grassroots organizations and environmental activists.



Gabe Goldstein and Sunshine Evans prepare for a demonstration on wheels.

Corey Byrnes/Bullet

TIME CAPSULE

SEPT. 23, 1986

Written by Kirsten Brown:

"We haven't changed the alcohol policy. We have only changed when beer is sold," said Joanne Beck, dean of students, referring to the so-called new alcohol policy that has brought about a range of reactions on campus.

"We chose that beer would not be sold so activities Sunday through Thursday could be supportive of the academic process," she added.

Assistant Dean for Student Activities, Joe Mancuso said, "I think it's the way we have to go. When it comes down to it, there's no alternative."

Referring to the federal law that says all states must change their drinking age to 21 or lose federal funds for state highways, Mancuso said, "The fact is, it's there—it's out of our control."

"I definitely believe in the policy," he said. He believes in it enough to attend student activities, including many of the Pub events Sundays through Thursdays. "If I'm not in touch with what's going on, I can't talk about this. I'm there, I see what's going on," Mancuso explained.

"The policy shows commitment that the administration is interested in

Deans Explain Alcohol Policy

College Policy Differences When The Legal Drinking Age Changed From 18 To 21

underage people on campus. We've tried to strike a compromise," he said. "Sixty-five percent of our campus is under legal drinking age. Next year it's going to be even worse...only 17 percent will be of legal drinking age."

Although Mancuso looks at the policy with a positive attitude, he does see a negative side. "We

are asking for a short-term sacrifice from the upper classmen. For three years they've been here and [beer] has been their social life and now we're cutting it off."

Calling alcohol a "social lubricant," Mancuso said, "We need to put something else in the Pub that's going to draw people there."

He said rather than "telling people to wear a hat and charging a dollar" to drink in the Pub, campus organizations are going to find more creative ways to attract people there.

"Social life on campus will be more diverse. There's something for everyone to enjoy. No one can feel uncomfortable if they're underage and don't drink," Mancuso said.

He added, "We're not anti-beer, we're just pro-other things." Mancuso was available for questions concerning the alcohol

policy at an open forum held after the Sept. 10 Senate meeting.

One student in attendance asked about the possibility of beer being available during Junior Ring Week activities.

"The administration is open to the idea of potentially making exceptions,"

"At this time there are no plans for the campus to go dry. Going dry does not achieve anything."

Another concern expressed by some students at the forum was the possibility of students of legal drinking age going off campus to drink and driving back to campus drunk.

"We need to get entertainment to keep people on campus," Mancuso said. He also mentioned the possibility of a designated driver program, in which bars and restaurants would serve free non-alcoholic drinks to the

designated driver of that group.

Many students in attendance at the forum expressed resentment that the administration did not consult the students in regard to the change. "If we had talked about it, it might have been different," said one student. Mancuso responded, "I think we would have come up with this policy if the administration got together with students."

"The bottom line is that we are not the enemy," Mancuso said. "We're trying to keep beer on campus on the weekend."



Other Highlights from the Sept. 23, 1986 Bulletin

▼ **UCAM Rallies in D.C.:** Mary Washington students participated in an anti-nuclear arms rally.

▼ **Welcome MWC Eagles:** The BOV approved the Eagle as the official school mascot, replacing the Blue Tide. Other nominees were the Devil-goats, the Militia, the Bulletin, the Cannons and the Bayonets.

▼ **Pen Pal Wanted:** Death Row Inmate Jim Jeffers wrote a letter to the editor requesting a pen pal.

▼ **Waterpolo Arrives:** The College's waterpolo team started its inaugural season.

▼ **Changes:** Campus Drive was renamed Campus Walk after the college spent \$350,000 to begin brick-paving it between George Washington and Virginia Halls.

Impact Group Has Protest Parade

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all of America to look the same." Gallant said. "I have a hard time telling two northern Virginia cities apart. I want to be able to tell the difference between Fredericksburg and Tucson, Arizona."

Impact 2000 cites four reasons for opposing Central Park 2 on their website: a lack of local need for another Central Park, loss of local community, environmental degradation and harm to the local economy.

Jenny Bishop, a freshman, does not believe the first Central Park was needed, nor is the second.

"I'm from Fredericksburg and I don't think Central Park 1 was necessary," Bishop said.

During the hour-long ride of parading cars, Bishop asked, "What does boycotting Central Park entail?" saying she had envisioned speeches, not driving around with signs taped to cars.

Craver jokingly responded, "You don't come in here, you don't think about it, fantasize about it or date anyone associated with it."

There will be a question-and-answer meeting on Feb. 29 in which students and Fredericksburg residents can talk with representatives from the Silver Company, City Council, environmental consultants and local organizations about the development.

Bishop expressed concern over the loss of Fredericksburg culture she associates with over-development.

"This area used to have so much southern culture," Bishop said. "I guess you could call it redneck, but I call it southern culture."

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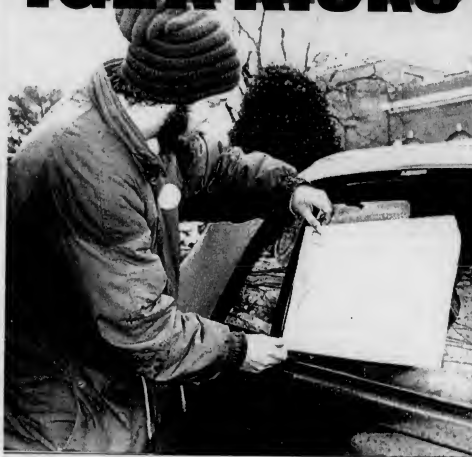
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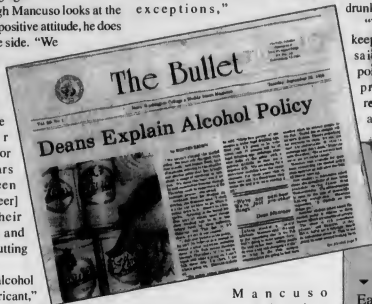
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Gemini - You are lucky today, and you communicate well. During this phase, most people have problems with communication. That's where you come in.

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Game Notes: seniors Maggie Applebaum and Andrea Chermela and sophomore Liz King all scored. Also sophomore Tammy Coffee scored her first career try at MWC.



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Ryan Lynch and the Eagles play at home this Saturday.

athlete of the week

Valerie Wunder Riding

Senior Valerie Wunder pointed out of fences this weekend as MWC finished first at last weekend's show. Wunder will compete in Regionals Intermediate Flat and Novice Fences.



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Freshman Tony Yates led the Eagles in scoring this season.

Club Lax Team Fights For Fields

By MARK AGEE
Features Editor

Students in the newly-formed club lacrosse team here at MWC say they are having trouble obtaining use of fields at the Battleground. "We have tried to secure use of some fields for two dates this year and we have been unsuccessful," said Rob Eidson, president of the club. "We only have two home games all year and they still won't let us use them."

The team's two home games are scheduled for March 25 and April 1 against Shepherd College and Virginia Commonwealth University, respectively, but they don't yet know where they will play.

The club team is recognized by the Inter-Club Association and does receive club funding from the school. It is also a member of the National Collegiate Lacrosse League. Gary Hart, assistant professor of business administration, serves as the team's faculty sponsor.

John MacDonald, director of campus recreation, oversees club teams and says that there are just conflicts in scheduling.

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Eidson said that the team has been told that their use of the fields could destroy the turf.

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Senior Josh Paterni, treasurer and co-captain of the team, said that MacDonald offered the use of the intramural fields for practices, but the fields are not suitable for lacrosse.

"I know from my experience on varsity lacrosse that there are practice fields that go unused virtually every day," Paterni said.

The college does authorize the regular use of a Battleground field for the rugby team, which is also a club and not a varsity team. Eidson pointed out the disparity.

"The rugby team gets to use a field," said Eidson. "We realize that they have been around for 15 years, and we respect those guys, but we're just wondering when our grace period will be over."

MacDonald said that the lacrosse team could, in theory, use the rugby field, but he didn't know when.

"The rugby team practices all week and plays on Saturdays," MacDonald said.

Campus Recreation, which was under Student Activities until this year, is now under the control of the Athletics Department. Ed Hegmann, athletics director, declined to comment on the club lacrosse team.

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"It would really make our school look bad

Salisbury State Seals Eagles Fate

Men's Basketball Team Knocked Out In First-Round Of CAC Tournament

By GEOFF WHITE

Assistant Sports Editor

The men's basketball team ended a disappointing season on Monday with a first-round loss in the CAC tournament to Salisbury State, 90-77. That dropped the team's overall record to 8-17 for the season, which is the worst mark in coach Rod Wood's four-year tenure at the college.

The team came out of the gate slowly against the number-two-seeded Seagulls. The Seagulls took advantage of MWC's poor play and held an early 12-point lead. The Eagles managed to stay in the game, however, and going into the half they led Salisbury State 40-34.

Going into halftime, Wood was rather pleased with the overall team effort.

"We played extremely well in the first half on both the offensive end and on the defensive side of the ball," said Wood.

Unfortunately, that good play did not continue in the second half. Salisbury made some key adjustments, and Josh Merkel, who scored a game-high 26 points against the Eagles, hit three-pointers after three-pointers in the second half.

MWC's halftime lead quickly evaporated, and Salisbury refused to let the Eagles take it back in the final 10 minutes of the game. MWC was hurt once again by turnovers in the attempt to come back. All year the Eagles'

Achilles heel has been turnovers at key times in games. Monday was no exception, as the team committed 27 turnovers overall.

MWC fought hard to keep the season alive, but freshman Tony Yates, who led the Eagles with 15 points in only 18 minutes, picked up a costly technical foul with only two minutes to go in the game and the Eagles trailing by four. Salisbury took advantage of Yates' mental lapse by knocking down the foul shots the rest of the game to secure the 90-77 victory.

"The second half turnover problem appeared again, but we still had a chance to win going into the final two minutes," Wood said.

Junior Eric Vierow, like the rest of the Eagles, took the loss hard. He said, "It was a tough loss. . . I am just really distraught."

A lot of things went wrong this season, but Wood seems to think that the influx of four new players at midseason was a key factor.

"I put us in a position that we had to overcome a lot of diversity and we were not able to get that done," he said. "I did learn a valuable lesson and that was not to bring in so many new players at the break. I will never do that again."

Although this season was a disappointment, there were some very positive things that took place. First of all,

the Eagles were very young this year. With the possible exception of junior Derrick Conz, who is still not sure whether the NCAA will grant him an extra year of eligibility next year, no team member will be lost to graduation.

Wood sees the team's youth as a positive.

"Because we got a chance to play a lot of younger players they now know what they need to work on in the offseason and hopefully will get it done," Wood said.

Eagles Top Players For 1999-2000 Season

Player	Rebound Avg.	Assists	Points Avg.
Tony Yates	5.6	30	12.9
Brett Lively	2.0	40	11.8
Phillip Klaus	9.2	22	11.0
Eric Vierow	8.0	24	9.0

The greatest need for MWC is adding a true point guard to replace Conz next year; this should also allow sophomore Ryan Kenna to move back to his natural position as a shooting guard.

"Next year we need to come in here with a different attitude and really work on playing together," said Vierow. "Things will be much better if we can come in with a better outlook."

Wood agreed with Vierow.

"If we come in next year with a better frame of mind we will be able to compete at a better level next season," Wood said.



Corey Byrnes/Bullet

Sophomore Will Gunther scored one of the Eagles' two goals against Salisbury State.

Men's Lacrosse Loses To Salisbury State In Opener

By KURT THURBER

Assistant Sports Editor

In their David versus Goliath matchup, the MWC men's lacrosse team may have brought the proverbial slingshot. Unfortunately, Goliath showed up wearing full body armor and armed with an AK-47 as number-one-ranked and defending national champion Salisbury State dismantled the Eagles in their season-opener 19-2.

"I thought we played pretty strong defensively; we cleared the ball better against them this year, but we struggled offensively," said coach Kurt Glaeser, who was last year's CAC coach of the year.

"We were getting the ball, the ground balls were about even, we had 28 offensive possessions and only two goals. We have to take care of the rock," Glaeser said.

The Eagles' lone scorers were senior Ryan Lynch, who cut the lead to 3-1 in the first quarter, and sophomore Will Gunther, who added a tally in the second quarter. Junior goalie Derreck Ostzyzek, who faced a majority of the 64 shots taken by Salisbury, wowed the home crowd with several spectacular saves, finishing the day with 15.

"Derreck had some great point-blank saves that is as well as he played in his three years here," said Glaeser. "I thought midfielder Ed

Scopin and defenseman J.B. Hodgson played well."

The Eagles now have their toughest challenge behind them and are looking forward to their remaining 11 games. They are looking to improve on last year's third-place finish in the CAC and 8-6 record.

MWC will have to do so without four

midfielders Scopin, junior Brian Marsh, sophomore Matt Klinger and junior Ted Bratard. Freshmen Jamie Test and Randy Falk will also make a contribution in the midfield as well.

The attackmen will be led by Lynch and sophomores Ryan Mason, Matt Sheridan, Joe Boulier and Gunther look to get their names on the stat sheet.

"We are at the point in our growth as a program where we are a middle-of-the-pack division-three team and we have to prove we can beat good teams on a regular basis," said Glaeser. "We are going to have a lot of one-, two-, three-goal games. Last year we had four one-goal games and won all four, and that taught the kids from last year we can win close games and get the job done."

"We definitely want to build on last year's success, but we are going to miss Wes Peters this year—with him we were a national contender," Scopin said.

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Kurt Glaeser, coach

starters, including All-American attackman and leading scorer Risto Worthington, who is now playing professional indoor lacrosse. The Eagles will have to overcome a lack of experience with only two seniors on the squad, attackman Lynch and defenseman Ryan Wellner.

In the goal cage, the Eagles will be anchored by Ostzyzek and a capable backup in junior Chris Vibert. Wellner, Hodgson, junior Andrew Suddarth and Griff Barhight look to disrupt offenses and dominate their third of the field for the Eagles.

The defense will be clearing the ball to

Men's Lacrosse Home Schedule

Feb. 26: vs. Elmira, 1 p.m.
Mar. 1: vs. VA Wesleyan, 3 p.m.
Mar. 18: vs. Marymount, 1 p.m.
Mar. 21: vs. Catholic, 3:30 p.m.
Apr. 1: vs. Goucher, 1 p.m.
Apr. 18: Randolph-Macon, 4 p.m.
Apr. 22: Colorado College, 1 p.m.

What's Wrong With Student Publications?

Publications Study Committee Reviews Print Media, Broadcasting

Questions concerning Mary Washington College's publications have arisen among students and faculty. As with any publication, there are issues of legal liability, bias, censorship, structures and policy procedure.

Last July the Board of Visitors passed a resolution for college President William Anderson to appoint a Student Publications Study Committee. The committee started meeting during the fall of 1999.

The goals of the committee are to review the structure of the existing Board of Publications, compare MWC's publication policies with other colleges' policies, examine the current journalism curriculum, assess the college's legal liability, and to report the committee's findings and recommendations to Anderson. The committee is also the publications council, including the student editors or general managers of the publishing and broadcasting stations. The Alliance (independently-funded newspaper) and The Bulletin.

The original deadline for the committee to report its findings was Feb. 1, but the deadline was pushed back to April. Maylan Pak, Student Government Association president and publications committee member, broke down the basics of the committee.

"We basically are all discussion-oriented," Pak said. "We have an agenda for every meeting; we examine the publications and the liability of journalists."

In a previous article in The Bulletin ("Student Media To Be Reviewed" 10/28/99), the publications committee's



Above, Maylan Pak discusses the Board of Publications Committee. Below, Cedric Rucker in his office. Rucker is a non-voting member of the committee.

motives were studied. Alton Martin, assistant attorney general, said that issues of legal liability were more likely to occur when the college or university issues more control over the publication. Anderson also commented in the article.

"I don't believe that any board members are trying to force anything on any publication," Anderson said at the time. "It's just the opposite situation. They want to guarantee that there's freedom of speech and freedom of the press without any undue influence."

Since then, the publications committee has gained momentum. According to the minutes of the Nov. 11 meeting, Cedric Rucker, dean of student life, gave the majority of the Board of Publications.

Students were concerned about administrative involvement with student publications and broadcasting. Thus, publication board meetings became less about adhering to specific guidelines and more about developing inter-club relations and meeting whatever needs came up along the way.

When examining the journalism program, the committee studied a transcript of a presentation by Steve Watkins, associate professor of English and Bulletin adviser, as well as syllabi from the newsgathering, newswriting and magazine writing classes.

In the Jan. 14 committee meeting, there was a discussion of the news writing class being required to submit their articles to The Bulletin. Alton Martin claimed that the legal

center currently has no publications.

Any suggestions made by the publications committee will be extended to the James Monroe Center, though the center currently has no publications.

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a closer look...

What Do Students Not Know About MWC?

Section By Chandra Dasgupta Issues Editor

There are many things Mary Washington College students do not know about their own school. Because of this lack of knowledge, they could be wasting time studying too much work, too much drinking too much political activism, and too much caving around greater Fredericksburg. The lives of MWC students are probably indescribably complicated, so they have no time to waste on the trivialities of Mary Washington College.

But information is quietly being gathered on students, on faculty, on buildings, and on anything that can be nailed down. Who or what is checking up on the college? The fine individuals of the Office of Planning, Assessment and Institutional Research.

Every day, almost every one of the college's 262 full-time and part-time professors are involved in the multitude of faculty committees or are advising student clubs and activities. Check up on what some professors are up to on the faculty-driven Reduced Teaching Load Committee.

And what would all of the knowledge do if it couldn't go anywhere? The faculty full-time and part-time students and this literature, memories and music. The Student Publications Study Committee deals with the questions of regulation for student media and print, and the repercussions of regulation.

Interviews and Corresponding Photos by Diana May

All Other Photos By Juliette Gomez

Who Is The Police Director Of MWC's Department?



"Chief Wiggum?"

Todd Casing
Sophomore



"I have no clue, but I think I know what he looks like."

Ryane Sudivant
Freshman



"I have no idea. McGruff?"

Bethany Brackett
Freshman

Answer: Stan Beger

What Is The Percentage Of Males At MWC?



"One every thousand feet."

Jessie Isaacs
Freshman



"75% Male."

Ryan Harding
Sophomore



"What guys?"

Mariah Fore
Sophomore

Answer: 32 percent

Are Professors Really Overworked?

A Look At The Faculty Reduced Teaching Load Committee

People often fail to realize that professors at Mary Washington College are as hard-working and harassed as the students. While students are juggling classes, activities, clubs, jobs, and homework, professors are juggling their classes, students, grading papers and tests, committees, meetings and publishing.

When Steven Greenlaw, associate professor of economics, came to Mary Washington College in 1982, the standards for professors were much different.

"There wasn't a push to do research, and a Ph.D. wasn't needed," Greenlaw said. "Now there is an expectation of scholarship. There is more paperwork to do, there are more expectations to serve on committees and most professors have their doctorates."

This has been true of the majority of colleges and universities, except for one vital difference. At

most colleges, professors will only teach three courses per semester. This will leave professors more time not only for their classes, but for independent publishing as well. At MWC, a full-time professor is expected to teach four classes each semester.

Last year, William Kemp, professor of English, made a motion at a faculty meeting to start an ad hoc faculty committee for reduced teaching loads. The committee now includes Kemp, Greenlaw and Jim Goehring, professor of religion, among others.

"I made the motion because our current teaching load means short-changing classes," Kemp said. "We don't have enough time to prepare, teach, grade, advise, do research, write, speak at conferences, serve on committees and sleep."

Greenlaw feels that research and publishing is a priority for faculty.

"There are some older faculty that do little or no scholarship, but most professors try to publish often," Greenlaw said. "It is important to me, and many faculty members take scholarship seriously."

Goehring discussed his particular goals with the committee.

"My goal has been to reduce the detrimental effect of four classes per professor," Goehring said. "Faculty should have more time and effort to put into classes, and the school should stress quality teaching."

Dennis Nissim-Sahai, professor of psychology, feels that the college's goal should be to reduce the load professors carry.

"The college should want to improve the educational experience and support its reputation," Nissim-Sahai said. "Reducing course load will help this."

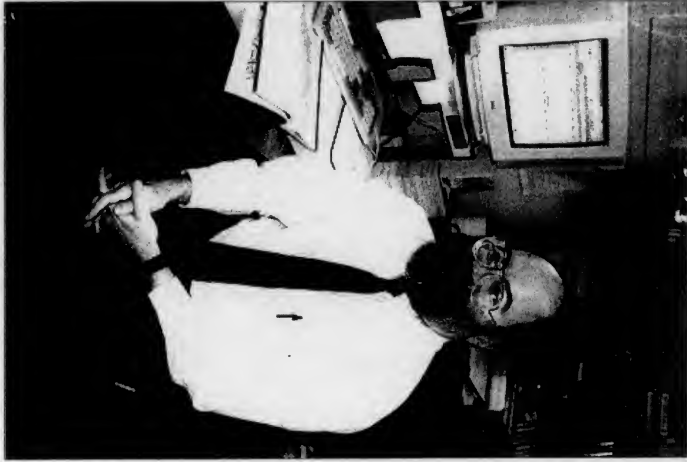
Phil Hall, dean of faculty, said it is up to the individual professor to decide whether to do scholarship, but that reduction of teaching loads is a priority of the administration. Goehring stressed that a reduction in class load will not happen overnight.

"I don't think that the natural course of this will lead to more faculty and reduced teaching load," Goehring said.

Last year, with the budget supplies, there was an opportunity to ask for additional faculty positions. The committee asked the Board of Visitors for 30 new faculty positions, but there was only money for nine new full-time positions. Greenlaw discussed how the positions were

Reduced Teaching Load Committee Members

- Jim Goehring (CPR)
- Roy Gratz (CHEM)
- Steven Greenlaw (ECON)
- William Kemp (ELS)
- Betsy Lewis (MPL)
- Lynn Lewis (BIOL)
- Steve Lipscomb (MATH)
- Dennis Nissim-Sahai (PSYC)
- Majorie Ovi (ART)
- Sandy White (EDUC)



Steven Greenlaw wishes professors had reduced teaching loads so they could focus more on research and publishing.

"It has been hard for the sciences to have any kind of workload," Greenlaw said. "As far as I know, hardly anyone in the science departments has been able to take an undergraduate."

Kemp feels that the undergraduate process is only somewhat successful, but he has high hopes for the future.

"It is certainly a step in the right direction," Kemp said. "It is entirely possible that within three or four years we'll have assembled the resources to offer all tenure-track faculty a one course reduction per year or the equivalent."

Goehring thinks that the undergraduate

What Happens To Those Surveys?

The Office of Planning, Assessment and Institutional Research (OPAIR) is the place where all of those class surveys go at the end of the semester. It is a small office with a handful of student aides, and the department is more important than many people think.

OPAIR directs the outcome assessments, faculty and administrative assessments, and course evaluations, and it surveys graduating seniors. OPAIR also controls all of the statistical information on the college, updating reports and keeping tabs on other colleges for reference.

Roy Weinstein, vice president for planning, assessment and institutional research, says that surveying is invaluable to the general education program, the major program and the state college and university system.

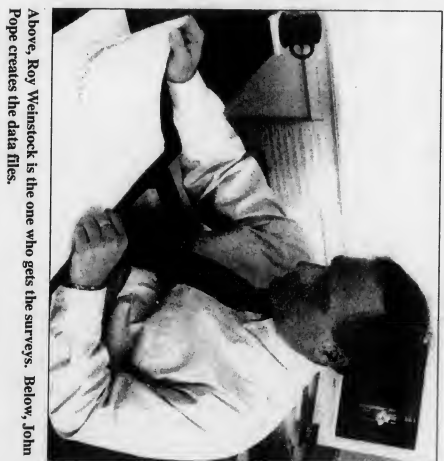
"We do not decide what classes should

be offered or required, but we direct focus groups of students and alumni," Weinstein said.

The surveys range from the major assessments done by graduating seniors to the statistical profile of the college that goes to the Board of Visitors to review at their summer retreat.

The Survey of Graduating Seniors is one of the more intensive surveys done by OPAIR.

"It takes a survey of all majors," Weinstein said. "It is comprehensive. It is a quality assessment of the library, use of technology, the general education program, and the general education program. We have about 750 seniors contributing per SGR II reports, which most students are familiar with. Every other semester, half of all departments have every section of every



Above: Roy Weinstein is the one who gets the surveys. Below: John Pope creates the data files.



course evaluated. This is not based on tenure, and by the end of the school year every professor has been evaluated.

The paper, particularly the Survey of Graduating Seniors, is accumulated by OPAIR and used in the hiring of new professors. Judging by the students and alumni say they are satisfied in 1992, and Weinstein finds that it has been effective.

"The senior survey is good for the departments for hiring purposes and for the introduction of new technology in the classroom," Weinstein said. "The departments also receive statistical information on the grades received in their departments."

There is also the Academic Program Review Data Set, which is an intensive

What Is The Area In Front Of Monroe Called?



"The Fountain?" Steve Morry Sophomore



"Ball Circle?" Kate Furst Freshman



"The fountain. That's what everybody else calls it." Steve Bush Sophomore

MWC Struggles Offensively; Loses 63-43 To Marymount

13-Point First Half Dooms Women's Basketball

By PHILLIP GRIFFITH
Staff Writer

In the blink of an eye, the MWC women's basketball team saw its season end in 40 short minutes, as they were trounced 63-43 by Marymount University in the first round of the CAC tournament.

In losing their last two CAC regular-season games, MWC finished their regular season 8-6 in their conference and 13-9 overall, placing them on the road as the number-five seed in the conference tournament.

The Eagles had lost two exceptionally close games this season to Marymount, the closest being a 68-67 loss Wednesday. The Eagles were motivated.

However, Marymount's first-half defense allowed the Eagles virtually nothing offensively. Marymount kept MWC shooting a dismal 26 percent from the field for the half as the Eagles only managed to score 13 points. Marymount led by 20 points at halftime, 33-13.

"Marymount came out quite intensely on defense, and we did not respond very well in the beginning," said coach Connie Gallahan. "They put a lot of defensive pressure on us. We had 17 turnovers in the first half."

In the second half, the Eagles improved their level of play, but a 20-point lead is virtually impossible to overcome. MWC did play even with Marymount as both teams scored 30 points for the half.

Everything MWC normally does well,

they did poorly in their final game. The team normally averages .412 from the field, but they only shot .355 against Marymount. Also, the team committed 25 turnovers, 10 more than Marymount did. No player even managed to score in double digits, as junior guard Bernice Kenney was the team's leading scorer with a mere eight points.

With this loss, the Eagles ended a tumultuous season. After losing their first game, the team won eight of their next nine to take an 8-2 record. At this point, they received some national ranking votes.

Then they lost five of their next six games. Their momentum changed again, and the Eagles won four games in a row. Finally, over the past week, the team dropped its last three games to finish the up-and-down season. The team finished fifth in the highly competitive CAC, which is one of the deepest Division III basketball conferences in the country.

"We didn't meet our goal of being CAC champs, but we did toward the end have some intense and hard practices; we just need to refocus and improve for next year," said junior Erin Caulfield, the team's leading scorer.

Most players are disappointed with this loss and the rollercoaster-like season they had. The team's momentum changed constantly through this season, but many players are calling it a building year.

"I thought that we could have done better than we did," said junior Jessica Bergner. "We had the talent to have gone really far and I



Corey Byrnes/Bullet

Helen Huley and MWC finished fifth in the CAC.

am disappointed that we won't be able to show people that talent until we go to the NCAAs next year."

Fortunately, the team has no graduating seniors this year. With more experience and the addition of some new recruits, the Eagles will contend for another CAC title.

"I think we had a good season with some ups and downs throughout the season," said Gallahan. "It didn't end exactly the way we hoped it would. With a whole year of experience with this team plus some new recruits that are coming in, I only see us getting stronger."

Riding Team Places First At Show Impressive Eagles Jump Past Rival Goucher

By JORDY KEITH
Staff Writer

MWC's equestrian team finished in first place Sunday at their only home show of the season, pulling them into first place in their region.

"Everyone really pulled together and we ended up coming out ahead by a lot of points," said senior Elyn Bannister.

The team finished the day having scored 44 points. Goucher College placed a distant second, scoring only 25 points. MWC riders freshmen Erin Grampp and Nicole Nolker, sophomore Christina Blauch, junior Aven Hornel and seniors Jacqueline Falkowski and Valerie Wunder all placed first in their classes.

The equestrian team this season has been in a back-and-forth struggle for control of first place in the region. Sunday's win boosted the team's spirits of finishing in first place as they head into Nationals.

"This year has been a big success because the team has been doing better than past years," said Bannister. "We have learned how to relax and appreciate the atmosphere of the intercollegiate shows."

Preparation for this home competition had the team practicing more than usual. Throughout the past two weeks, they practiced riding every horse which would be

used in the show.

The intense practices paid off, helping them secure a victory in front of an adoring home crowd which included a large number of friends and family. Normally the team is on the road competing at schools throughout Virginia and Maryland. At this competition, they enjoyed the fan support.

"It was exciting to compete in a show at home where friends and family hang around for five hours to see you ride for three minutes," Wunder said.

"These last two years have been the best, because of Kathy," Wunder said, expressing the team's appreciation for coach Kathy Danielson. "She doesn't put any pressure on us saying that we have to win."

The team realizes that it will still take a lot of hard work and determination to achieve their goals with two shows left in the season. The next meet at the College of William and Mary on April 12. Despite a dominating performance, they know that a first-place finish is not guaranteed in their region.

"It might be difficult to hold on to first place. I'm keeping my fingers crossed," said Falkowski.

"We can't relax yet," added Wunder. "It will all probably come down to the last show of the season."



Courtesy MWC Riding Team

Seniors Jackie Falkowski, Valerie Wunder, Liz McKeeby, and Elyn Bannister helped lead MWC to first place.

The MWC Women's Basketball Team's Streaky Season:

Nov. 19: Rowan 88 MWC 78
Nov. 20: MWC 80 Curry 61
Nov. 23: MWC 61 Frostburg St 50
Nov. 29: MWC 70 Christopher Newport 53

Dec. 1: MWC 58 Catholic 54
Dec. 3: MWC 71 Gallaudet 66
Jan. 8: MWC 81 Emmanuel 73
Jan. 9: Bridgewater 63 MWC 54

Jan. 12: MWC 66 Goucher 50
Jan. 15: MWC 70 Salisbury St 65
Jan. 18: Marymount 59 MWC 47
Jan. 20: Va Wesleyan 83 MWC 80
Jan. 22: York 62 MWC 55
Jan. 27: MWC 62 Catholic 53
Jan. 29: St Mary's 62 MWC 34
Feb. 2: Gallaudet 89 MWC 61
Feb. 5: MWC 72 Salisbury St 66

Feb. 8: MWC 68 Goucher 57
Feb. 10: MWC 68 Villa Julie 51
Feb. 12: MWC 65 York 52
Feb. 16: Marymount 68 MWC 67
Feb. 19: St Mary's 68 MWC 59

Overall Record: 13-10
CAC Record: 8-7

Baseball Team Brings Out The Brooms

Eagles Sweep Dickinson In Season Opener; Wins 3-2 and 7-1

By JEFF GRAHAM
Assistant Sports Editor

No matter if by nail-biter or blowout, the MWC baseball team was nonetheless happy to sweep its opening-day doubleheader against Dickinson College last Sunday.

After the first game, in which the Eagles pulled out a 3-2 victory with two outs in the final inning, the team coasted to a 7-1 win in the rubber match. MWC found the sweep to be important to start the year off in triumphant fashion.

"Baseball being a superstition, it's important to win that first game," said junior Ryan Napolitano. "We needed to set the tone for the season."

In game one, MWC and Dickinson were knotted at 2-2 when the Eagles came to bat in the bottom of the seventh inning. Napolitano was able to single with one out. After sophomore Scott Chapman flew out to right field, Napolitano reached second on a wild pitch. This set the stage for Nick DiJulio's game-winning single to centerfield, scoring Napolitano and giving the Eagles their first win of the year.

Picking up the win for MWC was junior Mike Parker (1-0), who went seven innings, giving up two runs on

four hits, while striking out six. Napolitano went 3-3 on the day with one RBI.

"You need close games like that to show the character of the team," Napolitano said.

Game two was no contest, as the Eagles put up five runs in the second inning and never looked back. DiJulio and Napolitano would end up

doing most of the damage again. DiJulio went 2-4 with three RBI and a run scored, while Napolitano was 2-4 with one RBI. Sophomore Reed Shabman (1-0) earned the victory for the Eagles, allowing one run on five hits and striking out nine.

"It was really important for us to get started off on the right foot," Shabman said.



Diana May/Bullet

Tad St. Clair and the Eagles are 2-0 after a sweep of Dickinson.

Eagle Track Teams Finish Second At Meet

By RYAN HAMM

Assistant Opinions Editor

Last Sunday, the men's and women's indoor track teams competed in the Mason-Dixon Conference Championships, their last regular meet of the indoor season.

Both teams ended up placing second to Christopher Newport University. The day before, some of the top athletes competed in the George Mason Invitational, in which some of the runners gave it their best to try to qualify for nationals. Sunday, however, was a big day for the entire team and their indoor season ended on a positive note.

On the men's team, there were many standouts that helped pull the team to the runner-up position.

"There were definitely a lot of individual standouts this weekend," said junior men's team tri-captain Alex Addison, who came in first place in the 1500-

and 500-meter runs.

Freshman Bobby Bergin received first place in the high jump, an event in which he has dominated the whole season, while senior Brian Roberts won the 800-meter run, and senior Mike Merker ran away with a first-place finish in the 400-meters.

In addition, the men's distance medley relay, composed of senior John Rock, sophomores Travis Jones and Dan Greene and freshman Tyler Vose, won first place as well.

"Everyone competed great but we still ended up in second place, which is kind of a let down. But it was good competition and we will have a rematch with CNU in April in the CACs," said Roberts.

For the women's team, tri-captain junior Candy Bush said, "The team competed really well this past weekend and we show great potential for our upcoming outdoor season."

This was evident as freshman Jessica Edberg and junior Liz Hackenberg placed first and second

in the 5000-meter run and the distance medley relay team of junior Natalie Alexander, sophomore Dana Foltz and freshmen Kathleen Toone and Cassie Crouse finished first.

"We had a really great indoor season despite the snow and all the training time we lost, and this meet showed all of the hard work that we put in," said Bush.

Not only did the runners reap the benefits of this past weekend, but so did coach Stan Soper, who received Coach of the Year honors for the women's team.

"He is well deserving of it," said Bush, who also appreciated the hard work put in by assistant coach Skeeter Jackson, who she said helped improve the sprinters' and jumpers' seasons immensely.

Next weekend, the top runners from both teams will compete in a meet at Virginia Tech in which they will try to compete for national-qualifying times.

Club Lax Team Denied Use Of Athletic Fields

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if JMU came to play and we had to play at a local park."

Eidson questioned the reason for the Athletics Department's resistance.

"There is some suspicion that Coach [Kurt] Glaeser [varsity lacrosse coach] thinks the club team might hurt the program," Eidson said.

Glaeser denied that the club team was hurting the varsity team, saying that players that are serious about lacrosse would not consider leaving

the varsity team to join the club team.

"If they aren't willing to commit to lacrosse five or six days a week then I, personally, would not want them on my team," Glaeser said.

"When kids start leaving my team to play club, then I'll be concerned. Then I'll have to look at what I'm doing and see if I'm driving kids away."

Eidson said that the team desires to play close enough to campus that

people will come watch their games.

"We want to be within walking distance of campus because we do have a fan base that wants to see us play," he said.

Paterni agreed.

"When we travel to UVA, JMU, or Hampden-Sydney, we use the varsity athletic stadiums," he said.

"It's a shame that we'll have to play where most students won't have the opportunity to see us."

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FAST FACT:

Hans Christian Anderson, who created now-famous fairy tales, was a horrible speller. His publishers always had to correct his numerous spelling errors.



Stephanie Ho/Bullet
A step show was one event celebrating Black History Month on Saturday, Feb. 19.

coming attractions

▼ **Thurs., Feb. 24: Live Band.** Clay Mottley Band, in Underground. 9p.m.-12a.m. Free.

▼ **Thurs., Feb. 24: Dance Lessons.** Latin Dance Lessons in Lee Hall Ballroom, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free.

▼ **Sat., Feb. 26: Fashion Show.** Black Student Association International Fashion Show. Great Hall, 6 p.m. \$1 for students with ID, \$2 for non-student.

▼ **Sun., Feb. 27: Victorian Ball.** Reservations until Feb. 24. 7-11 p.m. in Lee Hall Ballroom. Attendance required on Sat., Feb. 26 for lessons. For price info. call x1316 mailbox #3.

top ten movies

- 1) The Whole Nine Yards
- 1) Hanging Up
- 3) Snow Day
- 4) Pitch Dark
- 5) The Tigger Movie
- 6) Scream 3
- 7) The Beach
- 8) Boiler Room
- 9) American Beauty
- 10) Cider House Rules

Opening This Friday:
"Reindeer Games," starring Ben Affleck and Charlize Theron. "Wonder Boys," with Michael Douglas.

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Quote of the Week:

"The supreme happiness of our lives is the conviction that we are loved."

-Victor Hugo

'Zanzibar' Drives Audiences To Laughter



Juliette Gomez/Bullet

The Blossom family, played by (front) senior Allyson Lee Harkey and Rob Eastman-Mullins, and (back) sophomores Mariah Fore and Steve Mory, takes a jaunt in the car to visit a dying aunt.

By JANICE DUNCAN
Staff Writer

The first Theatre Department production of the spring semester, "Approaching Zanzibar," which illustrates a family's cross-country venture, left some audience members laughing and others bewildered.

The Blossoms are traveling over 2,000 miles by car with their two kids to see the mother's dying Aunt Olivia, portrayed by senior Marika Pickett.

Though Tina Howe's play offered many challenges to the actors, Alice Whalen, an audience member from King George, Va., had positive comments.

"The acting was superb," Whalen said.

Brad Williams, a freshman, especially liked the scene in which the husband, played by BLS student Rob Eastman-Mullins, tries to get the mother, played by senior Allyson Lee Harkey, back into his sleeping bag without waking their kids.

"[Their antics] made perfect sense," Williams said. Senior Brian Schaffter echoed the sentiments of other

audience members, especially regarding the performance of sophomore Mariah Fore, who plays the pivotal role of the daughter, Pony.

"Mariah is doing a good job," Shaffter said. "She plays a little girl well."

Some students responded well to the typical family scenes. Senior Kelly Engel agreed that the long family car trip concept was easy to identify with.

"The first scene was lifelike; it was like we were there," Engel said. "I could relate to the story of going cross-country to Oregon to see a dying relative by car; I was smiling the whole time."

In the first scene, the family sets out on its car trip from New York to New Mexico.

"I thought the acting was really tight in the first scene," Engel said. "The dad was really good."

In a second car scene, the family crosses their roles in both generation and gender. For instance, the father plays the daughter, and the audience seemed to enjoy it.

But some audience members were a little unsettled by some aspects of the play. For example, Williams thought

the language was a little inappropriate for a family show.

He explained that grandparents and parents attending the show might have been offended by some of the dialogue. But Whalen thought the show was appropriate for families.

"It was a very touching play; we enjoyed it," Whalen said. "We kind of like the family shows."

Other scenes in "Approaching Zanzibar" seemed to confuse the audience.

Freshman Jeffrey Cavano thought the comedic acting was good, but strange, when Pickett smiled and used a bedpan as a hat a la Robin Williams in "Patch Adams."

The audience laughed at these scenes, but both Cavano and Engel felt the play lacked closure.

"I didn't realize the story ended there. There wasn't a denouement, or conclusion," Engel said.

The final scene was being tweaked up until the last days of rehearsal as the actors tried to grapple with the difficult ending.

The play is still running. It plays Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. Contact the Klein Theatre Box Office at x1124 for more information.

River Road Rocks

By RUTH CASSELL
Staff Writer

During the first set break at the Underground at River Road's performance on Thursday night, guitarist Greg Thompson played and sang "Wonderful Tonight" by Eric Clapton. Then, he walked around the Underground and spoke to everyone, thanking them for their support and striking conversation with anyone he could.

River Road took its first set break at 9

p.m. last Thursday night because bassist Jeremy Weiland broke a string.

"Jeremy breaks a string every time," Thompson said.

Audience members were pleased by the band's performance. Only 15 to 20 students came to the Underground Thursday night to support the local act, but everyone who attended seemed to enjoy the show they saw.

"I came to play football, but River

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River Road (above) jams onstage in the Underground. Bassist Jeremy Weiland (right) tries not to break another string while singing back-up.

Photos by Juliette Gomez



By CHANDRA DASGUPTA
Issues Editor

If you like "Wall Street," "Goodfellas" and "Glengarry Glen Ross," then you will probably think "Boiler Room" is a relatively interesting movie.

Everyone is calling "Boiler Room" the 21st-Century "Wall Street" and there are certain odes to that within the movie. But don't go into "Boiler Room" thinking that you will hear Ben Affleck, in a perfect monotone voice, re-creating the line "Greed...Is...Good."

Instead what you will see is a very intriguing movie by first-time director/writer Ben Younger. Younger is only in his mid-20's, and I don't know anything else about him. I would like to think he was some whiz kid who got his MBA by 20 and burned out by 23 and decided to do movies. But probably not.

The main plot line of the movie is pretty simple. Seth (Giovanni Ribisi) is a young man who gets cajoled into working for a sketchy brokerage firm, with promises of the first million within three years. Mind you, he doesn't think anything is fishy even though the firm is way out on Long Island rather than on Wall Street.

Yadda, yadda, yadda, the firm is as dirty as dirt gets, and what is Seth going to do? Add to this an interesting mix of a girlfriend, an overbearing father and some glossed-over

Discusses The Ambition Of 'Boiler Room'

racism and sexism, and it makes for a slightly enjoyable movie.

Younger picked out an interesting cast for "Boiler Room." The star is the 23-year-old wonder boy Ribisi, who most people will recognize as Phoebe's brother on "Friends." However, in his short career he has developed a very long resume, including work with some of the best up-and-coming young actors and directors. I have always liked

Ribisi as an actor, and this movie has only made me want to see more of him.

"Boiler Room," to my knowledge, is his first lead role. In some scenes, Ribisi is acting his ass off, but in some, Younger is not experienced enough to let Ribisi have the scene, and the camera cuts off of him too quickly.

The supporting cast is very strong in "Boiler Room," with one exception.

Ben Affleck, who has been getting much of the screentime in the trailers, is god-awful in the few moments he is in the movie.

His character, a driven recruiter for the firm, comes across as a whiny brat who no one in his right mind would respect. I guess if he talks fast that must mean he's good, right? Wrong.

Nia Long ("Love Jones," "The Best Man") plays Abby, a secretary at the firm who starts a relationship with Seth almost immediately.

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Giovanni Ribisi.

What Is Your Ideal Weekend Like?

Photos and interviews by Juliette Gomez



"Just going out with my friends and having a good time."

—Brett Lively, freshman



"The Pokemon tournament at Border's, because there's no Digimon tournament."

—Mike Merker, junior



"Horseback riding in the mountains."

—Michelle Key, senior



"Being in a prime state of drunkenness."

—Chris LaClair, freshman



"Flying to Europe in my Concorde jet and then coming back and going to IHOP with all my friends."

—Ingrid Moody, freshman

Local Band Mixes Classic Rock, Jazz

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Road was a nice surprise," Craver said. "They are a very tight band. They all have a certain mastery of their instruments."

Sophomore Dana Boehmcke agreed and was pleased that more people were there than usual.

"It's much better when there are more people here than when there is like five. River Road was a nice surprise. It's relaxing and interesting to the ear. Greg [Thompson] is a very sociable person; he came by and thanked us for coming," sophomore Dana Boehmcke said.

Weiland, a junior, plays bass for the three-member band and shares vocals with Thompson.

Thompson provides lead and rhythm guitar as well as lead vocals. Drummer Matt Case backs them and completes the classic rock sound of the trio. Every member adds his own style to the hard beats and guitar solos of classic rock.

"I heard [River Road] at the Underground last semester. I am going to buy one of their CDs tonight. They're classic," said freshman Leila Choudhury.

River Road's untitled CD was available for the first time at the show for only \$5. The CD features four original compositions and a 30-minute jam the three members spontaneously played and decided to record.

The CD can be purchased at River Road's website, www.members.tripod.com/river_road.

"I came here tonight because of the band. I heard them last semester, too. I like them because they're bluesy, not poppy," said freshman Rebecca Holzworth. The press release for the show at the Underground claimed, "River Road shows how the styles of classic rock, jazz, latin, R&B, bluegrass, reggae, blues, swing and progressive rock come together to form a truly unique musical experience."

The band's complete set list evidences their musical versatility, as it includes covers of Cream, Jimi Hendrix, Grateful Dead and other legendary musical acts.

The play list also includes a jazz and bluegrass traditional, and 14 originals written mainly by Weiland and Thompson and some by all three musicians.

"Some of us come to the band with songs that are very basic. They become band compositions because of the way we all three work together," Weiland said. "We like to play stuff that is different than what people expect to hear."

Freshman Matt Murphy was enthusiastic about the band's set.

"I play bass, too, and Jeremy is freakin' awesome on bass. You gotta support local bands. I played at the last talent show with 'Here Today.' We're going to play at the next open mic," Murphy said. Other students who'd come to the Underground just for coffee or to relax were pleasantly surprised by the act.

"I come to the Underground every night to relax and wind down. River Road is good; they have a lot of original songs," junior John Bernhardt said.

"I came here tonight to have my Thursday night coffee talk with Dana. The music sounds great. Greg [Thompson] is obviously very talented," sophomore Suzanne Lewis said.

River Road played until midnight on Thursday night, and most of the people who showed up stayed until the end.

"If you guys had any sense at all, you would be throwing rotten vegetables at us by now. We know how late it is; we're aware of that. But you guys won't be able to sleep tonight. It'll be ringing in your ears," Weiland said.

Not only did local act River Road play a variety of interesting music, they put on a good show and interacted well with the audience. However, they do wish that they could play for more and larger audiences.

"Fredericksburg needs an all-ages venue like 9:30 Club or Jacks, something that would support the local scene," Case said.

Putting it Together: Senior Art Exhibit

By **JULIE STAVITSKI**
Staff Writer

All fledgling artists dream of the day when their work will be shown in a gallery and be admired by a group of onlookers. For a group of six seniors, that day came last Friday in duPont Gallery.

"Putting it Together," the spring 2000 senior art exhibit, was unveiled before a group of appreciative friends, relatives and art critics. Participants Kate Parker, Cindy Brock, Jeff DeHart, Katie Arnold, Amy Stoll and Whitney Wallace demonstrated extreme creativity and ability in their work.

Each artist had their own concentration of interest, whether it was painting, photography or three-dimensional art.

The show was interspersed with the various mediums that the artists had worked with, including some of great creativity.

Dangling from the ceiling in the center of the gallery were hundreds of slender glass tubes arranged together.

This piece, "Installation II" by DeHart, is a very fragile piece, created with a lot of patience.

"Installation II" is a precarious, untouchable piece," DeHart said. "I love the way the light spills on the floor...it's delicate yet structural."

Many traditional pieces were found throughout the gallery. Perched upon white pedestals were various stoneware and ceramic pieces.

Some were very traditional stoneware bowls and cups, but in the middle of a very conventional setup was a work entitled "Envious Dorothy," created by Stoll. Stoll had created a replica of a ruby slipper from "The Wizard of Oz," but painted it a deep jade green and added red glitter to the inside of the shoe.

Hanging from the walls were various two-dimensional works. Large, colorful paintings were hung beside thoughtful photographs. In addition to the more traditional mediums displayed, there were mixed media pieces such as art/psychology major Parker's piece, "Stitch is Mine."

Parker had taken pieces of quilting and arranged them on a wooden background so it looked like a quilt was in the process of being constructed. In addition, she created a miniature sewing box and affixed it to the quilt, giving the appearance of an open sewing box with various buttons and sewing implements scattered on the quilt.

All six students have had some sort of interest in studio art since high school, although their interests were not exceptionally reinforced until they came to college and were introduced to the professors in the department.

"All the professors here are wonderful. I've taken some type of knowledge from each and every one of them. I appreciate all of the knowledge I've received from them," Arnold said.

And the task of putting their own show together was certainly a difficult one to tackle.

Not only did they have to hurry to get all of their work finished and hung before the show, but it was also the first time the artists were faced with the prospect of selling their work.

The final outcome of the show was quite remarkable and rewarding for the seniors.

"Putting the show together was difficult," Parker said. "But it was really nice when it was finally done. The opening was amazing—having family and friends and even people you don't know coming up to you and praising your work. It was a lot of fun."

"It was very gratifying," Wallace said.

"Just hanging the show and then stepping back to see it all...a show revolving around all of our pieces...it just brings together our four years here."

All agreed that the artistic talent displayed at the show was incredible.

"The group is outstanding," DeHart said. "It was fun and easy to work with everyone and there was a great variety of work presented. It was quite successful."

And fellow students visiting the exhibit were pleased by the showcase of talent.

"They're simply amazing," senior Paul Dunford said. "One particularly breathtaking piece was 'Cypress for Van Gogh.' It's a wonderful mimicry of his technique...the colors were striking—it looked like something Van Gogh would do if he had been a collage artist. Simply amazing."

All the students plan to use art in some form in future plans, whether it be commercial art, art therapy, or just having their own small studio in which to continue their creations.

The exhibit will be on display in duPont Gallery through Sunday, Feb. 27.



Juliette Gomez/Bullet

Junior Jessica Ritchie admires the exhibit.

Film Femme Reviews "Boiler Room"

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Ribisi and Long have some real chemistry together, and I longed to have more of that story—but whenever they started getting into a scene, Younger would cut back to the pit that was called the office.

Vin Diesel ("Saving Private Ryan") plays Chris, a hard-hitting Italian who, unlike some other characters, has a decent personality (read: he doesn't pick fights, do that much coke, or steal that much money). Chris befriends Seth.

Michael, the owner of the firm, is played by Tom Everett Scott ("American Werewolf in Paris," "That Thing You Do!"), and spends most of the time looking drugged out. There are many other guys in "Boiler Room," but they're mainly recognizable by their faces, rather than names.

Do not think "Boiler Room" is an updated version of "Wall Street." "Boiler Room" is an ode to "Wall Street," taking much of the attitude and much of the posturing, and even showing some clips from "Wall Street." Younger shows the scene where Charlie Sheen meets Michael Douglas for the first time, where both men are appraising each other, a scene of such brilliance and efficiency that the rest of "Boiler Room" lives under that shadow.

"Wall Street" is one of Oliver Stone's finest, a morality story about greed and power and how the desire for both manifest in action.

"Boiler Room" is inefficient in this sense; Seth is a good boy, realizes the evil nature of the firm, and wants

to get out, enough said. "Wall Street" is both a universal tale of morality and a film that captured, for a fleeting moment, the insanity and the gritty politics that was the NYSE in the 1980s.

"Boiler Room" seems, by comparison, a MTV-bubble-



Ben Affleck and Giovanni Ribisi in "Boiler Room."

gum version of what a brokerage firm is about. Ribisi is no Charlie Sheen (thank God), and Ben Affleck will never, ever be Michael Douglas.

I do not mean to cut on "Boiler Room." It was an ambitious film for a first-time director, and Younger managed to make an accessible movie with a good cast. It is an interesting commentary on our society that in the 1980s we had a story of the fall of the individual, and now we have a story of the fall of business, of corporations.

So, see it as a reflection of our society and our values. Or, see it because Ribisi has the best mouth since John Malkovich.

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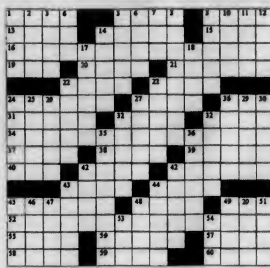
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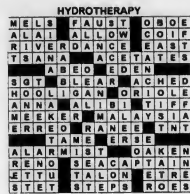
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The answer to this week's crossword will be appear in the next Bullet.

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Campus 'Beautification' Project

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people.

It seems we have gotten away from this idea. We have been encouraged here at college to think critically, question our society and learn to make decisions for ourselves.

The fact that the student body as a whole is not substantially consulted on major changes involving our immediate social and environmental surroundings seems to contradict this.

It appears that despite what we are taught in our classes, the administration and Board of Visitors do not consider us capable of giving worthwhile input or constructive influence to their decisions.

Perhaps because we come and go, because we are only rotating clients of Mary Washington, we as students are seen as temporary and replaceable parts of the equation. This is ridiculous. To hold this against us seems to discount the very college system.

The recipients of the school spirit, the recipients of this project, will be students. Obviously they won't specifically be us, but who better to speak for future student opinion than the present student body?

Or perhaps I was mistaken, and this institution is really just a playground for the administration and staff, and we're necessary simply to pay their salaries. Even if this were accurate, then we, as the primary immediate source of their funding, or even as representing the taxpayers who fund the rest of their salaries, deserve more say. Perhaps, then, Mary Washington College is intended primarily for alumni.

But don't we represent that as well, several years down the road? Any way you look at it, the continued decision-making process devoid of (and often contrary to) student opinion makes no rational sense, and must change.

As for the content of this project, it seems somewhat bizarre—an amount not to exceed \$300,000 is to be spent on campus beautification that would represent school spirit.

I assume the motivation for this project is also partly to attract potential students. I don't know about the rest of the student body, but our mascot, the eagle, had absolutely nothing to do with my applying to this school. Maybe when attempting to "represent school spirit," someone should figure out where our school spirit comes from.

Every student I've talked to thinks this is a bizarre way to spend so much money. Personally, and from conversations I've had in the last week, there are far more creative and reasonable ideas circulating and available in the student body for how to represent our spirit.

It is essential that this project benefit the existing strength and qualities of our present campus, and also that it tangibly add to our college experience. The obelisk "spirit column" will be a sore thumb, besides, what can you ever do with a giant obelisk? Try to scale it? Throw a condom over it?

For one, the proposed statue of Mary Washington herself seems so much more logical. Maybe this could be accompanied with some historical information about our namesake; I don't believe much of the student body knows more than that she was George's mother, and that she would pray on the Mary Washington Rock we analyzed in Intro to Geology.

Another idea would be the building of a Zen Rock Garden (I've heard the Asian Student Association has been pushing for this), botanical or sculpture garden, where students could reflect and relax, escaping from the stresses of our ever-more-hectic academics without killing brain cells.

How about fixing up our amphitheater, which could be a great boom to school spirit if it were actually utilized for plays, concerts or gatherings?

Last year I tried to present a play there, and was told by the administration that it wasn't safe for people to come to. Why spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on new projects when our existing resources are underused because of neglect and disrepair?

What about building a gazebo or other gathering place that would bring students together? Isn't it the interaction and relationship between students that is the true source of school spirit? I know personally one of the great drawings points for me to MWC was the tree-lined, green campus.

Since my freshman year, I've noticed a great deal of tree removal, without replacement. Maybe some of those hundreds of thousands could go to new trees?

The main point is not exactly what comes of this, but that the administration has provided no assurance that we will have input or

even be part of the conversation involving our school. Since they are not inviting us into the room, we have to raise our voices to interrupt this closed conversation and take more part in the process.

Call or e-mail Maylian Pak, our Student Government president—and someone who has a say and a place at the table—or Ranny Corbin in the president's office or Phil Hall, dean of the faculty.

Find out who your student representative is. This information is available at student information (x1121), through the SGA and in your Groupwise address book.

Tell them that this is a ridiculous way of boosting our spirit and spending enormous amounts of money, and tell them what you'd prefer.

Most importantly, tell them that you should be involved and consulted in this and future decisions. They have encouraged us to think critically, make decisions for ourselves and participate in the process. It's time we started.

"Another idea would be the building of a Zen Rock Garden..."

—Gabe Goldstein



Counter-Impact Organization Starts Up

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Economic Development (SPRED) is a newly-formed organization representing the portion of the student body that encourages growth in Fredericksburg.

Situated between the nation's capital and the state capital, Fredericksburg is a prime location for commuters. The idea of inhibiting economic progress in the city is not only unreasonable, but illogical as well. With the growing number of people relocating to this area due to the low cost of living and so forth, growth and development in the city are necessary and, ultimately, inevitable.

Now that does not mean we support rampant growth and urbanization, but instead, responsible commercial expansion. After meeting with the vice president of the Silver Companies and conducting some research throughout the city, we have concluded that the Silver Companies are devoted to building an efficient structure that benefits the city and promotes tourism in historic Fredericksburg.

Impact 2000 claims in their information pamphlet and "Manifesto" that Celebrate Virginia will "compromise our cultural heritage" and "increase traffic." However, the main objective of Celebrate Virginia is to promote our "cultural heritage" by supporting tourism. Tourism is one of the main objective ways for cities to prosper economically while boosting their history.

Williamsburg and Gettysburg are excellent examples of towns that have effectively marketed their historic sites. As for the increased traffic, the Route 395 interchange was expected to reach its capacity by the year 2010 regardless of the development of Celebrate Virginia. In fact, the Silver Companies have consistently worked with the city in the past to alleviate this problem.

The next argument that Impact 2000 uses is that there will be "environmental damage" to the Rappahannock River due to urban run-off. However, the Free Lance-Star, a newspaper criticized for consistently portraying the Silver Companies in a negative light, noted in an Oct.

11, 1997 article, "The Health of the River," that the pollutants nitrogen and phosphorus are primarily responsible for the decay process ultimately leading to low oxygen levels and the inability to sustain marine life in the river. The article continues on to state that agriculture (crops, pasture and animals), as opposed to urban run-off, is the primary cause of these pollutants (over 80 percent). This therefore negates Impact 2000's environmental claims completely.

Finally, Impact 2000 claims that Celebrate Virginia will put a "strain on the local economy." The group claims that the increase in service sector jobs will "foster a disparity between rich and poor."

However, members of Impact 2000 need to realize that there will always be a sector of society that does not desire the stresses of a high-tech or corporate job. For these people, the increase in availability of service sector jobs will force demand for these positions to rise.

Employers will be competing with each other to fill these positions, ultimately leading to higher wages across the board. Minimum wage will no longer be an option for current employers in Central Park 1. The increase in employees will also lead to an increase in management personnel.

In addition, the proposed Celebrate Virginia project will bring approximately 20,000 high-tech, corporate jobs to the area.

The supporting evidence for growth and development in Fredericksburg is overwhelmingly positive. I urge the student body to attend the Student Government Association-hosted Celebrate Virginia question & answer panel on Tuesday, Feb. 29 at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall. Members from both the Impact 2000 and SPRED will be present along with representatives from the City Council, the Silver Companies, RAG and other organizations with interests in the Celebrate Virginia project.

Brandy Han is a senior.

Homeschooling Parent Finds Fault With Tuition Tax Letter

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aged child, and there were fewer children enrolled, the schools would come out ahead.

Contrary to Cheri James' opinion, the tax credit is not "a tax shelter for those who already...homeschool."

Indeed, most of the homeschoolers I know would not qualify to take the deduction—and the majority of them opposed the bill.

This is in large part because it is partially aimed at homeschoolers. Those of us who think beyond the surface understand that such a "tax shelter" comes with many strings attached—such as the narrow definition of homeschooling included in the wording of the bill.

While I agree with Rodefer in that the "Republican tuition tax-credit scheme" is "simply a warmed-over

plan of vouchers for private and religious schools," and "nothing more than welfare for the rich," I must point out that I am a homeschooler, and I state that I was opposed to the bill.

I know that a big, loud, well-funded conservative advocacy organization—the one that promoted this tax credit for non-public education—says it speaks for all

homeschoolers, but that does not make it true.

Homeschoolers are a very diverse crowd—and we resent being portrayed as of a particular bent. The majority of us are reasonable people who understand that the public school system is much needed, even if it requires fixing.

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Students Debate Community Service

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In a sometimes heated and often humorous public debate held Wednesday evening, Feb. 23 in Trinkle Hall, students of Mary Washington College and Pennsylvania's Clarion University argued the merits of mandatory community service.

The Mary Washington College team of senior Amber Tussing and junior Matt Roberts presented the affirmative case to roughly 35 students and faculty, that Mary Washington College should require students to complete 40 hours of community service in order to graduate. The Clarion University team of sophomores Scott O'Donnell and Courtney Morton argued the negative case, that the college should not add community service to its graduation requirements.

Roberts, who had no prior debate experience, delivered the first affirmative speech, arguing that required community service would provide an enhanced educational experience, an improved public image of the college and a benefit to the Fredericksburg community.

Roberts said that he was once "the conservative of conservatives" but has now become a staunch supporter of social welfare issues. He cited his own community service experience in his speech, specifically his recent interaction with a high school sophomore named Mike who is illiterate.

"The educational system had failed him," Roberts said. "I just kept thinking that if we had a college system of community service, Mike would get a second chance."

Roberts also addressed some of the logistics of implementing a community service requirement. He explained that Elizabeth Whiston-Dean, director of community services, said only one additional full-time employee would be needed to run a mandatory community service program.

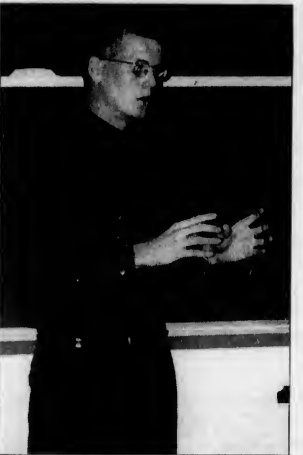
He also said that students would earn credit for the completion of service and that the required service would fulfill a general education requirement.

In her negative speech, Morton spoke about the problems that she felt the affirmative case overlooked.

"The problem is that they have failed to look at the big picture," she said.

Morton argued that a community service requirement would place an additional burden on students, most of whom are already too busy. She cited a student op-ed piece from University of California at Berkeley's campus newspaper expressing this argument.

Morton also presented several practical problems that would be created by mandatory community service, such as the problem of finding 40 hours of suitable community service for every student, and the possibility of the faculty's unwillingness to participate in the program.



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In his first debate ever, junior Matt Roberts argues for mandatory community service.



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Senior Amber Tussing argues against two students from Clarion University.

Concluding her speech, Morton stressed that requiring volunteer work decreases the value of service.

"[Required community service] is as much an oxymoron in action as it is in terms," she said.

Tussing, who has been involved in the Mary Washington College debate program since her freshman year, argued that the practical problems addressed by Morton are insignificant.

"These are nit-picky details that we need to overlook in an effort to be a greater society," Tussing said.

Tussing emphasized that the community service requirement would be incorporated into students' course loads, rather than being something they would have to do on top of their studies.

"What that means is that you don't just go out and pick another fluff course," she said, claiming that community service is something more valuable than a course taken merely for credits.

Scott O'Donnell responded to several points of both Tussing's and Roberts' arguments.

"If we force students to participate, we run the risk of turning them off to service," he said.

Audience members were given an opportunity to ask the debaters questions before closing arguments were presented, and John Morello, assistant vice president for academic affairs and former coach of the college's debate team, asked the Mary Washington College team for hard evidence of the theoretical benefits of required service.

"I'm curious about the logic of this argument," he said.

Roberts responded with stories of his peers' rewarding volunteer experiences, but Morello said he was not convinced that students' positive experiences with voluntary service indicate that students will respond positively to mandatory service.

Dan Traas, a senior, said in response to Morello, "If you question the benefit of required community service, then you must also question the benefit of required general education courses."

After final statements were made by the negative and affirmative sides, audience members voted on the more convincing argument. As was expected, the vast majority voted in favor of the home team.

Tim O'Donnell, Mary Washington College debate coach and speech instructor, said that the college's team and the Clarion University team often compete against each other in policy debate tournaments. He said that he and Clarion debate coach Anand Rao, who moderated the debate thought of the idea for a public debate at a recent tournament.

O'Donnell said that the college's debate program plans to sponsor more public debates in the future, in light of the success of this event and the success of the creationism versus evolution debate held in December.

"We're zeroing in on another debate in April," he said. The topic for the debate is undecided and O'Donnell said that suggestions from students will be welcomed.

Reform Motions Rejected

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Peter Squire, a junior co-chair of the handbook committee and author of the original motion to have Senate Board members appointed from within the Senate, said that both motions were shot down because of the possibility of Chiprut's compromise.

"At this point any change is a good change," he said. "I am for whatever changes to help make our Senate better; what makes students interested."

Jon Williams, co-chair of the Senate welfare committee and author of the second motion that was voted down that proposed to allow students outside of Senate to be allowed to apply for Senate Board, said that he is hoping for a compromise.

According to Williams, a junior, after Chiprut announced at the meeting his plan to propose a motion, senators decided to strike down both motions so that Chiprut's motion could be considered.

"It is a definite compromise between both motions," he said. "I want to do what is best and I think Ian's motion is best."

However, Squire is not sure how he will vote on the upcoming motion.

"I think I will probably abstain," Squire said. "It is not giving the Senate any power because [Senate Board] is still appointed."

Chiprut said that senators voted down both motions at the Feb. 23 Senate meeting to show that they are interested in a compromise.

"Some of the people were interested to hear more," he said. "I have a different idea and I'd like to discuss it further. It is just about what makes sense to the most people."

According to Nicole Angarella, co-chair of the welfare committee and author of one of the motions that was voted down, she was glad both motions failed and said she feels that Chiprut's motion is the best option.

"We are not going to get exactly what we want, but nobody does," she said. "We need to put them together so we can get the maximum out of both."



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Motions proposed by senators Peter Squire and Brooke Dunbar, juniors, and another proposed by Jon Williams, also a junior, were voted down Wednesday.

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Hall Slated To Open In 2003

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relocated somewhere else, the college would be liable for any damages, not the new owners.

Before construction can begin, the college has to demonstrate to the Virginia General Assembly that the building will comply with state regulations. According to John Wiltenmuth, assistant vice president for facilities services, the project is in the college's current budget for additions to campus, but the college would like to seek permission to accelerate the process when the next session of the General Assembly begins in early 2001. Under this new plan, construction will begin by the summer of 2002 and the residence hall will open in the fall of 2003.

"We need a little bit of good luck and hard work to achieve that," Wiltenmuth said.

Chirico added that there are other benefits to the new residence hall besides more housing on campus.

The layout of the building will allow for professors to be more involved in the lives of students by having seminar classes or other events in the residence hall.

"We are trying to create a space that will have educational values in other ways," Chirico said. "It would be interesting to take the learning experience out of the classroom and into a different setting."

Poyck said that the college has concerns about tearing down the houses.

"The historic value of the three buildings is currently under review and certainly will be considered as the project moves forward," Poyck said.

Senior historic preservation major Liz McKeeney would like to see the houses maintained and the residence hall built elsewhere.

"The houses add character to the Mary Washington campus. To me, the plan destroys what makes our

campus special as compared with other schools. The houses deserve higher consideration than they've been given," she said.

Chirico encourages students to examine the choices made by the administrators.

"I think it is what students should be doing. They should look at it like we did," Chirico said.

The Historic Fredericksburg Foundation has "no official position" on the possibility of tearing down the houses, according to Kitty Farley, director of operations. She said that for the organization to take a stand on an issue, its board has to agree on it. She was not sure if the topic was on the agenda of the board's next meeting, scheduled for March 15.

Poyck said that with construction not to begin for another eighteen months at the earliest, there is plenty of time to think the project through and deal with any possible problems.